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CHICAGO BANKS FAIL

NATIONAL, HOME AND EQUITABLE CLOSE THEIR DOORS

Great Panic Prevented in the Windy City by Chicago Banks Making up a Deficiency of Over Three Million Dollars.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Action has been taken by the Comptroller of the Currency, William B. Ridgely, that will compel the three large financial institutions—the Chicago National Bank, the Home Savings Bank and the Equitable Trust Company—dominated by John R. Walsh, of this city, to wind up their affairs. The other National banks of the city have come to the rescue, and it is declared on the authority of the Clearing House Association, the Comptroller, and also by the officers of the Chicago National Bank, that not a single depositor will lose a cent.

THREE WRECKED BANKS.

The difficulties of the three banks, which are practically branches of the same institution, are attributed by the Comptroller of the Currency to the large loans made by the Chicago National Bank to the railroad, coal mining and other private enterprises controlled by Mr. Walsh.

PROMISES BROKEN.

Some time ago the Comptroller called the attention of the officers of the bank to the fact that they were making loans to these enterprises of Mr. Walsh, which, in his opinion, were too large for the safety of the institution. Repeated promises were made that the situation should be rectified, but no action satisfactory to the Comptroller was taken. Three days ago he came to Chicago for the purpose of making an investigation into the affairs of the three banks, and found them in such a condition that he judged immediate action to be necessary. Some trifling delay had ensued because of the inability of Mr. Ridgely to meet the officers of the bank and officials of the State Auditor's office.

EQUITABLE TRUST COMPANY.

The fact that the Home Savings Bank and the Equitable Trust Company are under State supervision made the presence of the latter officials necessary. The officials of the different Chicago banks were told of the situation, and a hurried call was sent out for a meeting of representatives of the Chicago Clearing House Association as well as the officers of the city banks. The meeting was called to order in the office of President Forgan of the First National Bank, at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and was in continuous session until five o'clock this morning. A careful canvass of the situation revealed that the Chicago National Bank had deposits to the amount of \$16,000,000, and the Home Savings Bank had savings deposits to the extent of \$4,000,000, divided among 9000 depositors.

THE LIABILITIES.

The liabilities of the two banks and of the Equitable Trust Company were roughly estimated at \$26,000,000. The assets of the three institutions made up about \$20,000,000 of the amount and the directors and officials of the Chicago National Bank came to the front with securities amounting to about \$3,000,000 more. This left a deficit of about \$4,000,000 to be faced. The Chicago banks represented at the meeting declared at once that they would meet the situation and care for the deficit.

BANKS GIVE HELP.

If it proved necessary to advance any more than \$3,000,000 to meet all demands, the banks pledged themselves to make up the amount, whatever it might be.

The great difficulty confronting the bankers in the meeting was to arrange a legal settlement of the case in the pitifully short time at their disposal at the hour of commencing business this morning. It was finally arranged that in addition to winding up the affairs of the three institutions the allied bankers should take all of Mr. Walsh's private enterprises, including his coal mines, railroads and stone quarries.

At the close of the meeting this morning the following statement was

Issued by the Chicago Clearing House Association:

STATEMENT MADE OF THE FAILURE

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Failure of the Chicago National Bank, the Home Savings Bank and the Equitable Trust Company, all of Chicago, was announced at 3:30 o'clock this morning by representatives of the Chicago Clearing House Association, after a session lasting eighteen hours.

James B. Forgan, president of the First National Bank, as head of the clearing house committee of the Chicago Associated Banks, gave forth the statement. The assets of these institutions, it was asserted, were involved in coal and railway properties of John R. Walsh, president of the Chicago National Bank.

John R. Walsh, head of the institutions which have been declared insolvent, was not at the meeting. The following were the members of the committee at the meeting: James B. Forgan, chairman; John J. Mitchell, James H. Eckels, Orson B. Smith, Ernest A. Hamill.

THE FACTS.

The statement was issued at the offices of the First National Bank. It is as follows:

"The Chicago National Bank, the Home Savings Bank and Equitable Trust Company, which have been controlled and managed by John R. Walsh and his associates, have concluded to wind up their affairs and quit business in the city of Chicago. After a thorough and careful examination of their affairs by the Chicago clearing house banks, it is stated that all of the depositors of these institutions will be paid in full upon demand, the Chicago clearing house banks having pledged themselves to this result, thus putting all the resources of the Chicago banks behind the depositors of these three institutions. The difficulty with the institutions has been that their investments have been made in assets connected with the railway and coal enterprises of John R. Walsh.

"Those assets were not immediately available to meet deposits, and have been taken over on terms which will enable the three institutions to pay their depositors in full.

CHICAGO BANKS.

"Mr. Ridgely, Comptroller of the Currency, and Captain Eubank, of the Auditor's Department at Springfield, were seen and expressed themselves as greatly pleased at the action of the Chicago banks, and stated that it reflected great credit upon the associated banks of Chicago, which have again indicated their ability to meet any emergency in a manner entirely satisfactory to the public."

The meeting of the Chicago Clearing House Association began at noon Sunday. Notices were sent to the members of the board by Mr. Forgan, after it had been learned of the condition of the banks and the trust company.

Clerks were notified and fifty or sixty, with ten stenographers, hurried to the First National Bank. Behind closed doors the Clearing House Association began its work of finding a way that might enable them to ride the financial sea in safety. That a panic would be likely to follow was the first thought of the committee. Resolutions were adopted and heads of other banks pledged themselves to give assistance. The amount involved in the failure would not be stated by the committee members.

THE MEETING.

All information concerning the meeting of the committee was kept secret until 3 o'clock this morning, and half an hour later the association gave the statement to the press.

Directors of different banks were in attendance, as were other bank officials from nearby cities.

The names of the committee who drew up the statement are: James B. Forgan, president of the First National

Bank, chairman; John J. Mitchell, president of the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank; Orson B. Smith, president of the Merchants' Loan and Trust Company; James Eckels, president of the Commercial National Bank; Ernest A. Hamill, president of the Corn Exchange National Bank.

In addition to the formal statement of the failure and the announcement that the banks involved would not open their doors this morning, the following announcement was made, signed by the Clearing House Committee of the Chicago Associated Banks: "To the Public: Depositors of the Chicago National Bank, the Home Savings Bank and the Equitable Trust Company are respectfully advised that their deposits will be paid in full upon demand."

RIDGELY MAKES A PUBLIC STATEMENT

Comptroller Ridgely also made a statement as follows: "The action of the Chicago Clearing House banks in coming to the aid of the Chicago National Bank, the Home Savings Bank and the Equitable Trust Company has relieved a most critical situation, which, if it had not been taken promptly in hand, might have led to very serious consequences, not only in Chicago but elsewhere. The action of the Chicago Clearing House banks makes it absolutely certain that all the creditors of the three institutions will receive their money immediately, and should thus relieve any apprehension on the part of the public on account of the financial troubles in Chicago."

The critical situation in which these three concerns have been placed has been due to the large loans made to the railroad, coal mining and other enterprises owned and controlled by John R. Walsh. This again emphasizes the danger of banks being interested in outside institutions requiring large amounts of money.

The Comptroller's office has for some time been criticizing the conduct of the Chicago National Bank and calling upon its officers and directors to reduce the amount of these loans of Mr. Walsh's corporations. In spite of repeated promises that this should be done, these items have been continued in the bank, and in order to prevent further encroachments it was necessary for the comptroller to take radical action. The comptroller's office has for some time been endeavoring to make an examination of the Chicago National Bank simultaneously with an examination of State institutions.

"In addition to the Clearing House Committee, representatives of all clearing house banks were called into the conference about 7 o'clock Sunday evening. The comptroller feels that great credit is due not only to the Clearing House Committee, but to all the other clearing house banks for the prompt action and broad-minded spirit

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MISS I. RUTHERFORD PASSES INTO REST

In the early hours of this morning, at her residence in Fruitvale, Miss Isabella Rutherford entered into eternal rest.

Of a very gentle and affectionate nature, Miss Rutherford had formed a large circle of friends, who will be grieved to learn of her untimely demise. As an early member of the First Congregational Church, she will be remembered for many kindly and considerate acts in the various societies of that church.

Miss Rutherford leaves two brothers and two sisters. William Rutherford, founder and superintendent of the California Cotton Mills, and James Rutherford, Miss Margaret Rutherford and Mrs. J. Y. Miller.

The funeral will be held on Wednesday afternoon at 1:30, and interment will be private.

LUTHER FILLMORE IS DEAD

Well Known Railroad Man Dies at Daughter's Home.



THE LATE LUTHER FILLMORE.

Luther Fillmore, formerly superintendent of the Southern Pacific Coast Railroad between Oakland and Santa Cruz, died this morning.

Mr. Fillmore was one of the early pioneers and was prominently identified with the early settlement of Colorado and California, and helped to blaze the railroad trail into the Far West.

HE CAME WEST.

Mr. Fillmore was born at Fayetteville, N. Y., and at an early age decided to fling his fortunes into the lap of the West.

When only twenty-one years of age Mrs. Fillmore took a contract to grade a section of the Syracuse and Binghamton Railroad in New York State, and in 1848 was the principal contractor in the rebuilding of the Erie Canal. He then went over to the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, with which road he was associated for fifteen years, attaining to the highest positions in its service.

IN DENVER.

In 1869 Mr. Fillmore went to Denver and was instrumental in pushing much of the railroad work which at that time sent Denver and the State of Colorado ahead with such rapid strides. From there Mr. Fillmore went to Wyoming and became division superintendent at Laramie on the Union Pacific Railroad. He was later superintendent of the Union Pacific from Cheyenne to Ogden, when his name was interwoven with the names of D. C. Dodge, Sidney Newton and the late Senators Fall and Leland Stanford in many big enterprises. In March, 1884, Mr. Fillmore accepted the management of the Southern Pacific Coast Railroad, under the Fair regime, and made that road one of the best paying systems in the West, and was instrumental in improving the ferry service between San Francisco, Oakland and Alameda.

RETIR'D IN 1896.

In 1896, after twelve years' active service, he was compelled on account of ill health and advancing years to retire, much to the regret of the Southern Pacific employees, with whom he was most popular, and who regarded him more as a friend than an employer, and he had at the same time the faculty of getting more conscientious attention to duty from his subordinates than any other man on the road. During the last few years of his life Mr. Fillmore has been residing at Laramie, Wyoming, looking after his large cattle interests in that State. About a year ago he returned to California in search of a less rigorous climate.

Mr. Fillmore came of an old railroad family, and his nephew, the late J. M. Fillmore, was manager of the Pacific Coast Railroad between Port Harford and San Luis Obispo. He was born near Syracuse, N. Y., and was a relative of President Millard Fillmore, his

REV. E. R. DILLE GIVES FACTS TO POLICE COMMISSION

TAKES DR. WALKLEY TO TASK

Says Beds Are In Side Rooms of Restaurant.

Declares That Liquor Is Sold After Twelve O'clock.

Rev. E. R. DILLE.



who were fatter on those fair cities.

CHANGED CONDITIONS.

"The truth is," gentlemen, that the citizenship and the authorities of Oakland have not been aroused to the changed conditions here. Oakland has had the deserved reputation of being a staid and respectable city, a city of homes and schools and churches, free from the evils that prevail in more populous and cosmopolitan centers.

"But we have been having a tremendous growth in the last five years, and this growth brings to us new responsibilities and dangers. No city can grow only in the line of excellence. Laziness, excesses, positive evils, have crept in and found lodgment here, and while today Oakland is probably no worse, on the whole, than other cities of its size, it is probably no better, and vigilance is needed to keep it from being a Coney Island suburb of the great city across the bay, a peril which our wholly inadequate police protection constantly invites.

"Oakland ought to be better than some other coast cities, for it is a residence rather than a commercial city, and the overwhelming majority of its people desire sobriety, decency, purity.

YOUNG PREACHING.

By the way my friend, who deems it his duty to lecture two of his older brethren about their duty as public teachers, speaks of the organized forces of evil which are striking at every home in Oakland, and the crimes against children that have filled our penitentiaries with prisoners and sent many girls to brothels. I suppose that those two statements, being couched in discreet general terms, are not open to the charge of being "yellow preaching." It is only when the organized forces of evil are rudely named, and the crimes against youth impolitely specified that the preaching is "yellow" and in exceedingly bad form!

"I have not as yet attacked the city administration of Oakland; I have not held it responsible for the crime here; indeed, I did not in my sermon mention any crimes, either urban or suburban.

"But if I had criticised the administration, I submit that our city government is not Oakland Louis XIV. said: 'I am the State,' but I suppose that the department of our city government nor the whole of it would say 'We are the city, and therefore sacred.' We are the people of the vicinity, and judging by the past it is likely to be granted. I myself joined in a protest before the Council against the renewal of the license of a man who had been convicted in the police court of selling liquor to a girl in his back room, but in spite of our protest the license was renewed!

"The people of Oakland do not want 264 saloons; and they do not want those saloons provided with side and back entrances for women. Into one of those side entrances there was seen to go within six hours of one day, in the day time, twenty women, most of whom came out later more or less intoxicated—a scene that could scarcely be witnessed in the tenderloin of San Francisco, but it occurred in the residence district of Oakland. That saloon is now applying for a renewal of license against the protest of the most of the people of the vicinity, and judging by the past it is likely to be granted.

"The people of Oakland do not want the nickel-in-the-slot machines playing their devil's tattoo on ever street corner, and even in the candy stores, to corrupt little children, to make race-track habitues of our boys.

These goods are all high grade and are guaranteed.

N. B.—We have also 300 pictures supplied by the creators of the latest, which will be sold in lots to the highest bidder.

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Main office, 105-7-9 Clay street, Oakland; telephone 4671.

CREDITORS' AUCTION SALE.

We have received instructions from the creditors of Charles H. Treenor of Marysville to sell the balance of the fine stock of jewelry, art glass, etc., etc., at our auction rooms, at 105 Clay street, near Eleventh, Oakland, commencing Monday, December 18, at 10:30 a.m., each day this week.

The goods comprised in parts fine cut glass, hand-painted china, watches, large assortment of gold rings, silverware, of every description, fountain pens, pocket knives, handbags, chains and belts, vases, jardinières, etc., etc.

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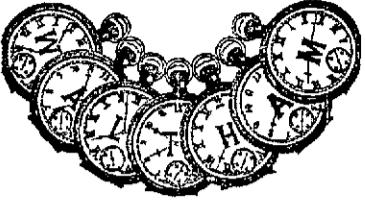
SLOT MACHINES.

I submit that it is the duty of the

people to attack the rogues and scoundrels.

The Greatest Gift Idea in All Oakland

\$1.00 A WEEK



Give a Watch
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And Pay \$1.00 a Week

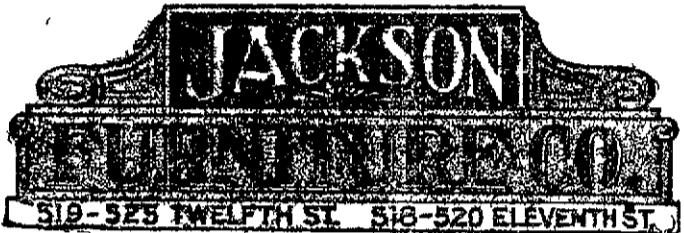
To accommodate our many Christmas customers and to attract new friends we have secured a consignment direct from the factory of

THE CELEBRATED WALTHAM WATCHES;
GUARANTEED 14-CARAT GOLD FILLED;
WARRANTED FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS;
OPEN FACE OR HUNTING-CASE;
FOR LADIES OR GENTLEMEN.

This permits you to give wife, husband, son, daughter, sweetheart or employee a life-long present and gives you a lot of time in which to pay for it.

COME AT ONCE

for there is a limit to this display of Waltham Watches and the terms—one dollar a week—are so generous and convenient that many will take advantage of them.



The House that always sells \$50 worth of furniture or carpets for \$1.00 a week.

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cline, or at least arrest every proprietor and if the courts and juries fail to convict them arrest them again and the people of Oakland will stand by a vigorous and honest administration of the law.

But my purpose in writing you is to give you additional facts about specific violations of law.

★ WITH IT, AND IN ONE INSTANCE BOYS AND GIRLS DRANK AND BECAME INTOXICATED IN THE PLACE NOTORIOUS HOUSES ★ 4 IN A NOTORIOUS HOUSE ★ OF ASSIGNATION EUPHONIously CALLED A HOTEL LINGERIE QUORS ARE FREELY SOLD, ★ ALTHOUGH THE PLACE IS UNLICENSED, AND ANOTHER ★ SIMILAR PLACE IS NOW IN CHARGE OF THE SHERIFF ★ FOR AN UNPAID LIQUOR ACCOUNT, ALTHOUGH THE PLACE IS ALSO UNLICENSED ★ 5 THE CHARGES ARE MADE, AND BY POLICEMEN THEMSELVES, THAT PATRONS ARE CHANGED ★ FROM ONE BEAT TO ANOTHER WHENEVER THEY ★ ARE GUILTY OF PERNICIOUS ACTIVITY IN INTERFERING WITH AND MOLESTING CERTAIN INTERESTS. NOT A DETECTIVE

Gentlemen I am no detective nor public prosecutor I am not paid for doing that work and I leave it for those who are. We certainly pay taxes enough to have adequate police protection in this city. I submit that it looks very like incompetence or something worse when such things mention exist and when such scandals in the police department as recently occurred made every Oaklander blush for our city.

I submit that the real enemies of Oakland the real "knockers" who injure its fair fame are those who put any citizen who dares to tell the truth upon trial by newspaper or otherwise and the majority of the Council which increases week by week the number of licensed saloons

INVESTED IN RAILROADS.

It is declared by local financiers that Mr. Walsh has invested all the way from \$600,000 to \$15,000,000 in the quarries and the railroad. His great desire is to have the railroad an entrance to Chicago but in this he was not successful.

To the public at large which was not acquainted with the magnitude of Mr. Walsh's enterprises the news of the difficulties surrounding his banks came as a tremendous surprise. Not a word of the difficulty had reached the public Saturday night and the first information was conveyed by extra editions of the morning papers.

Two hours before the time for the opening of the bank large crowds of people who had money in the Chicago National and the Home Savings Banks were gathered in front of the banks waiting for the doors to open so that they might withdraw their funds.

PREPARED FOR A RUN ON BANK

Inside the banks ample provision had been made for the impending run. Money was laid out in large piles additional clerks were stationed at the paying windows and arrangements were made in other parts of the bank to pay out the money as fast as it was called for.

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CHICAGO BANKERS COME TO RELIEF

The following statement was issued by Comptroller Ridgley at 11:15 a.m. today. A misunderstanding seems to exist as to whether the bank has closed or closed its doors. It has been embarrassed by the investment of a large amount of its assets in unavaluable securities but the banks of Chicago have come to its relief and have arranged the payment in full on demand of all the creditors of the Chicago National Bank. The bank is open for business as usual today with these guarantees behind it and will meet all its obligations and pay over a dollar at once.

(Signed) WILLIAM B. RIDGLEY, Comptroller of the Currency.

MUCH EXCITEMENT

The excitement over the suspension of the two banks had largely subsided by 11:15 a.m. At the Home Savings Bank a line of depositors was formed outside to Monroe street and fifty feet west to the corner of La Salle street. All claims were paid as quickly as possible.

At the Chicago National Bank there was no outward evidence of a run although money was being drawn out with great rapidity. Many business men who called were told that they could get the amount of their balance cashed by accepting as deposits at other banks and they departed without drawing out the actual currency.

At the two banks there was no apparent excitement and no evidence of a run. The statement was made at all of the banks that they were guaranteeing the depositors of the Chicago National and the Home Savings Bank of the city that there was not the slightest ground for apprehension. Charles G. Dawes, former controller of the currency and now president and manager of the Central Trust and Savings Bank of the city declared that there was no danger of any other Chicago bank being involved nor is there any other bank in financial difficulty.

The bank of Chicago has \$2,500,000 on deposit with the Chicago National and the Equitable Trust Company. No official information was given to City Treasurer F. W. Bolke of the difficulty although it is known every bank in the city has a bond on its books. As soon as he read the morning papers he called up on the banks and they assured him that the account was amply protected and that he need not worry, checks against the city balance in the Chicago National and Equitable Trust Company and that the Clearing house would see that they were paid.

OFFICERS RESIGN

At noon it was announced that all of the officers and directors of the Chicago National Bank had resigned and the places were taken by men selected by the Clearing House association. President Walsh's place was taken by Bank Director Charles E. Schick, and the places of the retiring directors were taken by the following men: J. B. Ferguson, president of the First National Bank; Orson Smith, president of the Commercial National Bank; C. L. Smith, president of the Northern Trust Company; K. R. Billings and C. H. Post, both successors to Vice President Blount who was elected.

FORM A SYNDICATE

The officials named above will compose a syndicate which will liquidate the affairs of the bank and pay all claims against it. The Home Savings Bank and the Equitable Trust Company.

In order to make secure as far as possible all claims against the bank Mr. Walsh is turning over to the officials of the Clearing house who are operating the exchange all the property. Mrs. Walsh also made over to the clearing house all the property standing in her name. It is expected that there will be enough to this to make the amount to be paid out by the other banks of the city comparatively small when the accounts are fully balanced.

HEARING OF CLAIM

The hearing of the suit brought by George Martin against A. N. Frost for the erection of a house for which it is claimed the latter still owes was begun this morning before Judge Melvin Martin has a number of claims assigned to him and claims that there is a difference of between \$1,762 and \$2,350 still due on the building for which he claims Frost is responsible. The additional amount it is stated was made up of charges for the changing of plans in the construction of the building and extras.

MORTGAGE FOR CHURCH

An application by the First African Methodist Episcopal Church to mortgage its property on Fifteenth street near West for the sum of \$100,000 was made this morning to Judge Melvin Martin who made the necessary order granting the request. It is set forth in the petition that this amount is necessary to finish the large new edifice now in course of construction.

OPEN EVENINGS

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father being a cousin of the President HE WAS SEVENTY-NINE

At the time of his death Mr. Fillmore was seventy-nine years of age.

He is survived by a widow and four daughters Mrs. Luther Fillmore, the widow is at present with her daughter, Mrs. Clyde Opelt and owing to sickness and old age will be unable to be present at the funeral. Mr. Fillmore's daughters are Mrs. W. H. Adams of 123 Eighth street Oakland Mrs. M. C. Brown, of Seattle Mrs. C. Peppert of Denver, and Mrs. G. Tinkham, of Chicago. A son-in-law, W. H. Adams the capitalist, resides at 123 Eighth street.

The funeral services will be held at the home of his daughter on Wednesday next Dr. Homer J. Wosburgh of the First Baptist Church will officiate.

The remains will be interred in the Oakland cemetery.

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He has not been well for a number of days and neither yesterday nor today would he leave his room. Callers at his residence were referred to the bank for all information and to the request for a statement which was sent to him. Mr. Walsh sent back word, "I have nothing to say. Any statement that is to be made will come from the Clearing House Association."

The officers of the Home Savings Bank are:

President, W. J. O'hanan; cashier, Charles E. Schick; directors, C. K. G.

Billings, Maurice Rosenfeld, John M.

Smythe, W. Best, C. K. G. Billings,

and Maurice.

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Lounging Chairs, leather and velour upholstered—\$7 to \$50.
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Footstools, oak and leather—\$4.50.
Roll Top Desks—\$20 to \$50.
Men's Chiffoniers, with shaving mirror—\$10 to \$12.50.
Couch, Spanish leather cushions—\$37.50.
Bookcases—\$6.50 to \$50.

For Ladies

Music Cabinets, oak, walnut and solid mahogany—\$6 to \$27.50.

Dressing Tables, birdseye maple, oak and mahogany—\$10.50 to \$30.

Writing Desks—\$8 to \$50.

Dressing Chairs, low back—\$5.75.

Fancy Chairs—\$6 and up.

Sofa Pillows—\$1.

Cheval Mirrors—\$5.50 to \$12.50.



For Children

Oak Rockers—\$2.75 to \$4.50.

Same, genuine leather Seat—\$5.

Wicker Rocker—\$2.50 to \$3.50.

Little Chairs—90c to \$5.

Go-Carts—\$3.75 to \$11.

Misses' Rockers, wicker, \$3.75 also in oak, imitation leather cushions—\$5.50.

Then there are appropriate gifts for the home, such as Bedroom Sets, Dressers, Chiffoniers, Parlor Suits, Pedestals, Rockers and odd C hairs, Davenport, Lounges, Hall Racks and Seats, Dining Tables and Chairs, China Cabinets, Sideboards and Buffets, Library Tables, beautiful Rugs, Sectional and Library Bookcases, Oak Clocks with cathedral gong, etc.

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PLAN FOR LABOR CONVENTION

ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE BY THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES.

Te Liberty during the convention.

THE GRAND BALL.
It was decided that the grand ball to be given during convention week should be a strictly invitational affair, and invitations not transferable.

THE BANQUET.

The sub-Committee on Banquet is to make out and submit to the Arrangements Committee a list of the invited guests, which must be approved by the General Committee.

SPAKERS.

The speakers at the banquet will be proposed by a committee composed of Prof. Krueger and Seawriter.

The committees on decorations, parade, accommodations, amusements, and printing all reported progress.

THE MEAT COMPANY,

At the stockholders' meeting of the California Co-operative Meat Company, in Germania Hall, Sunday afternoon, there were 400 persons present.

President E. C. Schmidt was chairman and Herman May, formerly of San Francisco, but now in charge of the market at Salinger's, was secretary.

President Schmidt presented his annual report and there were reports from the newly elected directors and from other officers.

BHOWIN GOF REPORTS.

These reports showed a lessening of the feature of the business consisting of retail shops conducted directly by the company—the seven to three—having been substituted for direct operators, and that the direct operations of the company are being extended in the wholesaling field, especially supplying restaurants, with development of a

MANUFACTURING FEATURE.

The company now manufactures ham, bacon, lard, sausages of various kinds, and delicatessen in several lines. A number of workmen have been added lately.

EXTENSION OF MEMBERSHIP.

From now on it was decided to make a special effort to extend the membership of the company in the various labor unions. The matter of methods in this

line will be left to the Executive Board of the company. Typographical Union No. 21, of San Francisco, owns \$10,000 worth of stock—100 shares—in the company.

AMENDMENTS.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws of the company submitted its final report, on the submission and adoption of the amendments and the new Constitution and By-Laws books containing them were distributed.

FINANCE.

Mr. Amruth, of San Francisco, employed to expert the books, made his report, showing everything was to his satisfaction at last; and the Finance Committee made its report, to the same effect.

The report of C. E. Schmidt, president and manager, showed net profits of \$712.40 for the business of the last five months—the time during which he has been in charge, which is considered very good, in view of conditions at his accession.

Reports were all concurred in by the stockholders, as read.

MILLMEN'S UNION.

Millmen's Union, No. 550, of the Carpenter and Joiner's Union of America, elected the following officers at their meeting Friday evening for the ensuing term:

President, E. F. Kelly; vice president, A. Thresher; recording secretary, E. W. Niedt; financial secretary, L. L. Gilstrap; treasurer, W. W. Farwell; trustee, H. K. Sorenson; auditor, C. Thomas; delegates to district council, Gilstrap, Kelly, Farwell and C. Wallburg; delegates to Building Trades Council, R. Hamb, D. C. Crawford, Congable, E. F. Kelly, L. L. Gilstrap; trustee Progressive Mill Stock, D. C. Crawford.

GYMNASIUM CLUB.

At the meeting Saturday afternoon of union labor men interested, S. H. Gray was chairman.

The bid of Burtchell & Crowley to furnish porcelain bath tubs, washstands, etc., and all the plumbing required to be nickel plated, for \$180, was accepted.

S. H. Gray, G. W. Riley and A. G. Wilson were appointed the committee to get bids on furnishing the gymnasium facilities.

1905
To the Arrangements Committee Sixth Annual Convention, California State Federation of Labor, 153 Eighth Street, Oakland, Cal.

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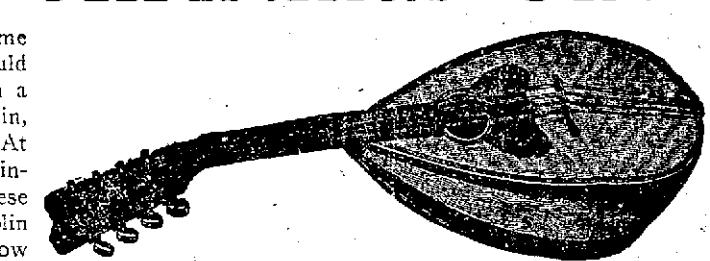
Headquarters of Executive Council of Federation will be at northeast corner Washington and Eighth streets.

J. W. Reff of the Longshoremen; Dan Keogh and D. M. Hughes of the bricklayers; W. H. Patton of carpenters No. 1158; J. F. Curran of the masons, were the new local union delegates received by the Arrangements Committee.

THEATER PARTY.

A. C. C. Krueger, M. F. Murry and J. M. Pofaton were apointed committee in charge of the mid-week theater party at

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GUITARS " 4.00 "
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SUPERVISORS HEAR REPORT AGAINST SPRING VALLEY

Consult With the District Attorney About Taking Legal Action in Matter.

Theodore Gier and Wilber Walker, members of a committee from the Merchants' Exchange, appeared before the Board of Supervisors this morning in support of a petition prepared by them as a committee from their organization, requesting the Board to take such legal steps as may be necessary to prevent the Spring Valley Water Company from taking any more water from Alameda county for use in San Francisco.

In discussing the communication Mr. Walker said that several school districts in this county had been depopulated and abandoned because of the loss of the water and that some action must be taken to prevent further encroachment. He said that 40 per cent of the water used in San Francisco comes from Alameda county, despite the fact that J. S. Emery, who then represented the Blue Lakes Co., had been given an opinion by the then Attorney of San Francisco to the effect that it was unlawful for the city of San Francisco to go off the peninsula to get its water. He said that was when the Spring Valley Company had no holding outside of San Francisco and it was proposed by the city to bring water from the Blue Lakes, but that now the company is acting contrary to the opinion rendered in its favor years ago.

He said, also, that the Merchants' Exchange contemplated the employment of special counsel to assist the county in the litigation.

Mr. Rowe asked what the Spring Valley Company's holdings in Alameda county amounted to.

Mr. Gier replied that they owned about 43,000 acres, which were assessed for \$4,100,000, but that they have been drawing interest on three times that amount in Alameda.

Supervisor Rowe said that if this land owned by the Spring Valley Water Company were settled upon by residents, the county would receive three times the amount of taxes it yields now, besides the products of the land.

A communication to the District Attorney agent the same matter was also presented. After some discussion the petition was referred to the Committee of the Whole in conjunction with the District Attorney.

THE COMMUNICATIONS.

The communications were as follows:

"Honorable John J. Allen, District Attorney of Alameda County, Oakland, California.

"Dear Sir: Pursuant to a direction of the Oakland Merchants' Exchange, whose committee are we, have the honor to transmit you herewith copy of a report adopted by said exchange upon the subject of the transportation of the waters of Alameda county by the Spring Valley Water Company for consumption beyond the borders thereof, and the blighting effect of the loss of such waters upon vast areas of otherwise highly productive lands of this county.

"The report directs that your official attention be called to the existence of this injury with the request that you take legal proceedings therein on behalf of the county as will limit or prevent such withdrawal of waters. The Merchants' Exchange is considering the advisability of employing counsel to co-operate with you in the undertaking, and will otherwise render you such assistance as it may be able. We also transmit to you copy of a communication made by our committee to the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alameda county, requesting the board to provide funds to defray the cost of such litigation.

"Upon the advice of counsel the committee expresses the belief that the action asked both of yourself and the Honorable Board of Supervisors is such as can be legally granted, and asserts its belief that there is no more necessary performance at the present possible from the standpoint of the interests of this county, and of the welfare and prosperity of its people.

"Yours truly, Theodore Gier, H. G. Williams, Wilber Walker, committee."

"To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alameda County, California.

"Gentlemen: We, the undersigned, appointed by the Merchants' Exchange of Oakland as a special committee upon the matter of the Spring Valley Water Company transporting the waters of Alameda county beyond the borders thereof for consumption, do on behalf of the said Merchants' Exchange present hereinafter a report thereupon, which it has heretofore adopted. The presentation is made in accordance with a direction contained in said report that the matters and things therein set forth be referred to your honorable body and to the District Attorney of Alameda county.

MAKING A DESERT.

"The report shows that the Spring Valley Water Company, through extracting the waters contained in lands, has affected a tract in Alameda county 100 square miles in area, and is rapidly passing the lands therein to desert. That the water table in said lands has dropped from thirty to forty feet below the surface and that many wells in the region are dry. That in this district orchards and vegetables formerly raised in these lands cannot be grown, and that water must be pumped from great depths at large expense, and in some cases cannot be procured at all. That in the Niles cone, it is estimated ten percent of the trees will be found dead in the spring. That because of these encroachments two school districts have lapsed, and two more are about to lapse, and that in one locality alone more than 100 families have been forced to vacate. The report also shows that the Spring Valley Water Company is now taking 16,000,000 gallons of water daily from this region or nearly half the total supply of San Francisco, and is preparing to take many more millions of daily gallons from the same source.

IS CONSERVATIVE.

"The report is very conservative. An instance and illustration of the character and methods of operations of the Spring Valley Water Company in Alameda county is the great pit now being built near Centerville. This excavation was commenced in 1901 and has been steadily continued. It is 350 feet long by 150 to 200 feet wide. It is situated in the center of a 100-acre field whose boundaries are defined by a board fence, reinforced at the top and sides by barbed wire.

"Surrounding the pit is a great bank of gravel about fifteen feet high, taken from the excavation. The enclosure is most carefully guarded against intrusion by workmen who are strictly non-communistic as to the purposes of the excavation. The pit is in the lowlands five or six miles from the bay, and about

50 feet above its tides. It is about at the junction of Alameda creek and the San Joaquin de los Alisios, an offshoot of Alameda creek making to the west.

"In these lands great waters once abounded upon the surface; yet this pit is now from 50 to 75 feet in depth, and water has not yet been reached. The pit will tap the lowest stratum of the gravels, and therefore the drainage will be cut off. The contiguous wells, which are now in water, will lose their yields. People in the vicinity of these operations are now hauling water in donkey carts upon the roads, which have gone dry.

"The report filed hereunto recites that from one class of lands alone, owned by the Spring Valley Water Company, \$2,000,000 annually of products of sand is kept out of circulation, and that the capitalization of this sum is 10 per cent, or \$100,000, which may be taken as the minimum injury done this county by the Spring Valley Water Company. According to the report, the lessened production upon lands of citizens of this county, produced by these causes, equals the value of the production kept total out of existence, free from taxation by the Spring Valley Water Company, and the more reasonable assumption is that the annual loss to this county is \$4,000,000 instead of \$2,000,000, the capitalization of which the report says would be the enormous sum of \$80,000,000.

"**"IS UNREASONABLE."**

"In the presence of a bight so vast and so far reaching which, it is declared purpose of those who have caused it, shall be enlarged, extended and enlarged additional volumes of water it is unreasonable to look to the landowners in the vicinity to shoulder the litigation necessary to stop this corporation from these practices. The public interest demands that they are upon the yield of the soil for their sustenance, have for the most part become too impoverished to even contribute to the cost of such litigation as may be required to strike away the gravity of the county.

"While the district over which the Spring Valley's installations are at will be enlarged, the lands immediately contiguous to the pumps, dams or the galleries, would be the ones who, if the contest were left to such persons, would be called upon to take up the fight again this great corporation. Such lands as are upon the yield of the soil for their sustenance, have for the most part become too impoverished to even contribute to the cost of such litigation as may be required to strike away the gravity of the county.

"Does your honorable body contemplate what it means to fight the Spring Valley Water Company in the courts with the whole population of San Francisco behind it to pay its costs and lawyers' fees?" Look at the case of Clough v. Spring Valley in the courts of this county for four years past, the record of which stands upon the floor of my office as a monument. This case could never have been fought by plaintiff, Clough, were it not for the fact that she is the holder of a minority of stock in a company composed of a majority, and the cost of the plaintiff has been saddled upon the Spring Valley itself, who is the defendant. Observe also the rank fight between the Spring Valley Water Company against San Francisco now in court daily for nearly a year past, and consider if Alameda county can expect the right to be upheld in the court to be denied and possessed by the unscrupulous landowners whose substance the Spring Valley has depleted.

"But aside from these considerations the county has interests in these lands which are not to be despised. The owners of these lands use, and producing their full meet, and they unquestionably would be used if they were in condition to be used. Further than this the county is interested in the general prosperity of its population, in the existence of large quantities of commodities, wealth, comfort and happiness of the people. The county cannot afford the risk involved in leaving the litigation in the hands of the corporation. The whole people of the county demands that it be prosecuted with certainty and with

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He will make his headquarters in our Bazaar. He will hold receptions from 11 to 12 o'clock in the forenoon and 2 to 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Every little boy or girl who comes to see him (accompanied by parents or guardian) will receive a nice Box of Candy. Bring the young ones to visit "Santa" in our Bazaar.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN SESSION

Insane Man Was Badly Beaten at the City Prison—Routine Work of the Board.

The Board of Supervisors met in regular session this morning, all of the members being present. A communication from the State Board of Charities and Corrections was received relative to injuries sustained by Claus Widdell, an inmate of the city jail, last September. Widdell was suspected of insanity and the injuries received by him were reported to have been the result of brutal treatment while confined in the city jail.

The State Board of Charities and Corrections, after an investigation, was unable to determine just how or by whom the man's wounds had been inflicted, but recommended that prisoners suspected of insanity be cared for at the detention hospital instead of at the jail.

THE COMPLAINT.

The communication was as follows:

"State of California Board of Charities and Corrections, San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 13 '05.

"To the Board of Supervisors On September last there appeared in the daily papers a report that one Claus Widdell, being detained at the city jail as a suspected insane man, had been beaten and cruelly treated, supposedly while an inmate of the city jail of Oakland.

This Board, as is its duty, made careful inquiry into the facts of the case. Evidence was brought before the Board, and other attendants of the Stockton State Hospital, and of every police officer in Oakland who had anything to do with the man from the time he was picked up by the patrolman until he arrived at the hospital, in all twelve witnesses.

BADLY BRUISED.

"This evidence shows that said Claus Widdell arrived at the Stockton State Hospital on June 28 in a badly bruised condition; that he was picked up by a

patrolman about 4 o'clock on June 24 and taken to the city jail in Oakland and kept there until Tuesday afternoon, June 27, when he was removed to the receiving hospital, where he remained until removed to the State Hospital, that while in the city jail he was violent and frequent scuffles were had with him by the jailor and prisoners, especially to administer medicines prescribed by the City Physician, that in transferring him to the detention hospital he attempted to get away from the officers and another struggle with him was necessary to hold him. The said Widdell was held in the city jail because he was suspected of being insane and that about two weeks previous he had been arrested and held in the same jail for a time for the same reason, but released, that said Widdell was returned home from said State Hospital on November 14.

CANNOT GET FACTS.

"This Board was unable to ascertain where the patient received his injuries. No one having the handling of said patient seemed to know that he had been injured until after his arrival at the Stockton State Hospital. Such injuries may have been received in the struggles necessary to restrain the patient or may have been received previous to his arrest.

"We believe that no person suspected of insanity should be detained in a city jail. There are no facilities there for the care of such persons, and the very act of confining them with prisoners may increase the trouble. The county has a detention hospital and such cases as these should be referred to it.

"The point the artist wished to convey is so obvious that all who have seen the window easily understand and enjoy immensely. When down town shopping stop with the crowd and pass judgment on this Xmas display.

EXTRAORDINARY XMAS WINDOW

Xmas shoppers were amazed Saturday on gazing in Jackson Furniture Company's show window; crowds gathered around the windows the entire evening, and all day Sunday, and no wonder—the window presented an unusual appearance.

A very expensive mahogany bed, occupied by an apparently inebriate man whose condition caused him to be so careless about his personal appearance that he retired without the trouble of dressing. The conditions of the window evidenced a strenuous time before its retiring. The fine French plate mirror of an exclusive style mahogany dresser was seemingly shattered. Not satisfied with this, our unfortunate friend tried to saw the beautiful ped to bits, but becoming exhausted quit his tempestuous proceeding, leaving the saw in the foot-board, half through with his in the meantime his wife has escaped and brought in an ever alert Oakland officer who is on the point of arresting the perpetrator of all the confusion. The principal of the affair, by this time, is probably snoring, totally oblivious of his impending doom.

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WOMEN FRIENDS ARE ENLIGHTENED

Victor Dilemons pleaded guilty before Police Judge Smith this morning to shooting a revolver within the city limits. He explained that he was showing some women friends how the weapon was used. The court imposed a sentence of \$5.

That Christmas Present What Shall It Be?

Don't Forget the Need of a Good Piano in the Family

We can supply you with the very best made—THE STEINWAY; with strictly high-grade makes, not quite so expensive—the ESTEY, A. B. CHASE or EMERSON; also with medium grade and cheap pianos, unsurpassed in beauty of tone and architecture, price considered. Easy payments may be arranged if desired, and we will take your old instruments in exchange, allowing, therefore, whatever they are really worth.

Pianos may be selected now for delivery December 23rd.

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valled in this case, the injuries received by this patient probably would not have occurred. Try your best."

"STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES
AND CORRECTIONS.

"By W. A. GATES, Secretary."

NOT INSANE.

Widdell is now following his occupation of teamster in East Oakland. He does not work but takes care of the time during his incarceration and that he knows fully everything that happened to him. His version of the alleged trouble at the city jail is that he was beaten by other prisoners.

The communication was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

ORPHANS' FEES.

A communication was received from the State Board of Examiners reminding the Supervisors that aid from the State for orphans and the support of their dependents could not be granted upon applications; that such requests for assistance must be renewed every six months.

The stenographer was instructed to notify the Board of Examiners of what claimants there are in this county and to notify the claimants that they must renew their applications semi-annually.

MOTION ROAD.

A petition from numerous residents of Roosevelt (formerly Paralita) avenue, asking that the macadamizing of that thoroughfare which has been completed from Kinsel avenue to a point near Brookview, between Brookview and Highland, be continued to Highland avenue, because of the present impassable condition of the latter section. Supervisor Talcott stated that he had already received a petition to that effect and would see that the matter was attended to as fast as possible. The matter was referred to Mr. Talcott, with power to act.

The application of Mrs. Fritz Hansen for aid for the support of Willie Hansen, a half-orphan, was filed.

The following liquor licenses were granted: George Abbott, H. J. Miller, Louis Meyer and Henry May, Elmhurst; A. Winter, Midway. Applications from Joseph R. Nunes, Newark, and Max Neckhaus, Fruitvale, were set for hearing on January 3.

Supervisors voted to disband the Oakland Board of Trade and merge it with the State Board of Trade and J. S. Emery and Craig Sharp, members of the latter body, appeared before the Supervisors to represent the same. During the Alameda county exhibit in the State Board rooms, in the San Francisco Ferry building, was replaced by a better one. The Supervisors decided to visit the exhibit and determine its needs before taking action.

RECEIVING HOSPITAL.

Steward H. A. Borchart of the Receiving Hospital reported that during November there had been 164 patients admitted, one died and five were sent to the County Infirmary. There were four patients remaining in the hospital, the total number of services during the month was 398. It was also reported that there had been but one occupant of the juvenile jail during the month of November.

COUNTY INFIRMARY.

Resolutions were adopted ordering transferred to the County Infirmary funds of the year named from the county general funds of the same years the following sums: 1901-2, \$463.47; 1902-3, \$48,100.

Health Officer Chalmers reported that eight cases of chickenpox had been quarantined during November.

UNDERGROUND WIRES.

A representative of the Sunset Telephone Company appeared before the Board with a request that permission be given to lay underground wires on East Thirteenth street, from Army street to the city limits. The matter was referred to Supervisor Talcott, with power to act.

Talcott said he was willing to grant the permission, providing the street was left in the condition in which it was found.

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Here you will find just what you are looking for in a Hair Brush. High-grade French and English Brushes, and others not so expensive, but all durable.

A solid back Rosewood brush of best French bristles for.....\$1.00

A general Ebony with 11 rows of genuine French bristles a solid back brush.....\$1.50

Celuloid back brushes in many fancy designs for those who prefer them.....\$3.50

CUT GLASS

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Water Bottles.....\$3.50

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Olive Dish.....\$2.50

And many others.

POCKET KNIVES

For the man and the boy.

A good two-bladed knife with Horn or Bone Handle for.....\$2.50

In Pearl, Bone or Horn Handles, a knife with three blades of excellent quality of steel.....\$5.00

Some more expensive ones at.....\$7.50, \$11.25, \$15.00 and \$18.00

LETTER CASES

Of Black Seal.....\$2.00

Sea Lion.....\$2.50

Alligator.....\$2.25

Walrus.....\$3.50

Some very hobby cases with German Silver and Gold mountings.....\$5.00 and \$5.50

The cost is only.....\$2.75, \$3.50, \$5.00

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PERFUMES IN HOLIDAY DRESS

Lundborg's, Eastman's, Palmer's, Marshall's, Lazier's, Ringdicker's, in pretty boxes, White Rose, Carnation, Apple Blossom—each \$1.25

Amber Rose, the queen of rose odors, each \$1.25

COPPLETS—All the popular odors by COUPLES—each \$1.25

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THE LATEST NEWS OF THE DAY--4:30 P. M.

FOREIGNERS KILLED IN THE CHINESE RIOTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The source reported the continuance of the riotous conditions, adding that the police stations had been burned and a number of people killed, probably about thirty, including some of the foreigners.

No Americans, however, had been harmed up to that moment and the streets were being guarded by the volunteers and the naval forces. Mr. Rodgers' last word was that he expected the American cruiser Baltimore, which was yesterday at Chinkiang, about a day's run from Shanghai, to reach the latter place tonight.

AT CHEE FOO.

CHEE FOO Dec. 18, 10 p. m.—The news of the disturbances at Shanghai is producing no visible effect on the Chinese, and at present it seems improbable that the trouble will extend to this city. The local foreign officials, however, are conferring in regard to taking suitable action to forestall a possible demonstration.

Well informed persons maintain that the Lien-Chau massacre, and also the present disturbances are directly traceable to the boycott. A later dispatch from the same

Coincident with the Shanghai riots,

the Yokohama Specie Bank quickly placed a large amount of money in the local market for the benefit of the Chinese.

SHANGHAI Dec. 18.—The incipient here was promoted by boycotters on account of an incident involving the mixed court. The German consul was stoned and the American vice-counsel and several other foreigners were attacked and injured.

The Chinese closed their shops when the rioting began. The local volunteers were called out to restore order and detachments of bluejackets were landed from the warships to assist in restoring peace.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—A dispatch to the Evening Standard from Shanghai says:

"During the riotous disturbances carriages and motor cars were smashed. Many are looting several parts of the city."

On the afternoon of the last ball game on the Shun King road, which bisects the central district of the foreign settlement,

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A serious riot among coolie laborers resulting in the death of twenty Chinese and injury of several foreigners occurred at Shanghai, China, today, according to a cablegram received by Far East Daniel & Co. of this city from their Shanghai office. The cablegram says:

"Rioting by coolie classes business suspended. Two police stations burned. 20 Chinese killed. Few foreigners injured. Marine volunteers returned. Further trouble and fighting anticipated tonight."

The father and mother of the boy took steps beside the trial of the case this morning and will bring him the results of their research during the remainder of the trial, which it is expected will be ready to go to the jury by Wednesday evening. The taking of the testimony it is believed will be finished by tomorrow evening.

The first witness called this morning was J. H. Klepper, the driver of an oil wagon, who stated that he had seen George Blaker and John Schneider coming out of Harold's orchard on the Old County Road, one afternoon just about the time that Cook was killed, with a piece of iron pipe about four feet in length. He said that his attention was called to them by the fact that they threw an apricot at him which struck and made him turn around. When he did so one of them shot the pipe at him.

It is claimed by the prosecution that this piece of pipe cut in two furnished the material out of which the bungles were made.

Sheriff Barnet was the next witness called and stated that he had arrested Schneider and Blaker in company with two girls at the ferry in San Francisco on the night of July 23, the day after the robbery. The girls were allowed to go, but the boys were taken to the county jail and during the next few days they were subjected to severe cross examination and finally Schneider and Blaker broke down and admitted their connection with the affair.

The two boys with their girl companion had spent the day in San Francisco, each one of the two boys having had \$20 of the gold taken from Cook the night before.

Schneider's story in this regard was that he got up the next morning and went to Blaker's home and whistled and Blaker came out and asked him why he had run away. Schneider says he told him that he was afraid.

They then talked the matter over and Blaker showed him some of the money and they took it and hid it under the Blaker house keeping out enough to last them through the day. Before they were able to get back that night they were under arrest, and several days later Schneider showed Sheriff Barnet and Deputy Pete White where the money was.

The bicycle was smashed into a pile of scrap iron.

That Bennett was not similarly crushed is deemed by all who witnessed the affair to have been an extraordinary thing.

Bennett's place of business is at 211 Shattuck avenue. He came down town last night at about 6 o'clock, riding a wheel and in the darkness failed to observe a big automobile that was speeding up the avenue. This machine was being driven at a rate of about thirty miles an hour. Two men and a woman were in the automobile.

The automobile was stopped at once and the driver returned to where Bennett lay. Apparently the chauffeur thought that he was the injured party, for he scolded Bennett roundly for having collided with the auto and then going back to the machine speed away.

Bennett was too dazed by his injuries and the nerve of the chauffeur to attempt to rise. He was assisted to his room by friends. There is no clue to the identity of the automobile party.

STRUCK BY A CAR.

BERKELEY Dec. 18.—Two men riding in a light spring wagon on Telegraph street and Key Route train, Adeline street and Santa Clara avenue last night shortly after 6 o'clock, O. M. Baxter and J. M. Evers were in the vehicle at the time and both were thrown a distance of forty feet. The body of the collision was smashed into splinters.

Evers' shoulder was dislocated, but Evers escaped with only trivial injuries.

The men were prevented from seeing the approach of the train by the darkness which stood on the track at the time awaiting the passing of the Key Route train. Ignorant of the danger, the men drove on to the track and in an instant were hurled from the wagon. Dr. Z. T. Ellis attended the injured men who were removed to a neighboring house.

The main effort on the part of Attorney Austin Lewis will be to show that Schneider was the least guilty of the lot and that he did not participate in the crime although he did take a certain amount of the money the next day. His own confessions have involved him to this extent but at the same time he denies having struck Cook or had any thing to do with robbing him.

The directors of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce at its meeting this morning elected A. H. Schlueter, president of the Merchants' Exchange, as one of its directors in the place of William Rutherford, resigned.

The only matter of importance which came before the meeting was the appointment of the various committees, which were as follows:

Executive—E. W. Bulger, chairman; W. H. Capwell, H. C. Capwell, Theodore Gier, Sol Kahn.

Finance—W. H. Wellby, chairman; E. A. Heron, E. A. Leach Jr., Frank C. Opelt and Mrs. G. Tinkham, Mrs. C. Opelt and Mrs. W. H. Adams, a native of New York, aged 78 years 2 months and 3 days.

Membership—Theodore Gier, chairman; Jerry Roeth, James P. Roeth, Daniel C. Thaler, Fred Osgood, Jerry Tyrell, B. P. Miller, I. H. Clay, A. H. Breed, Percy Hardenberg, E. P. Cook, George W. Austin, F. A. Jackson, R. S. Kitson, Frank B. Henkin, William J. Laymire, W. H. Wellby, Dr. Thomas, George W. Langen, M. M. Hoffman, P. McClellan, F. P. Oliver, W. G. Jurgens, William C. Clark, H. Feldman, H. A. Lee, John B. Jordau, A. J. Snyder, Albert S. Day, W. S. Mackay, W. E. Gibson, F. H. Hiltzstein, John Mitchell.

Local Affairs—A. H. Schlueter, Municipal affairs—A. H. Schlueter, chairman; Harry W. Meek, F. D. Cushing, Frank C. Capwell, Frank C. Capwell, chairman; E. A. Broed, J. W. Phillips, A. H. Schlueter, H. A. Buttner.

Transportation and railroad—Sol Kahn, chairman; Harry W. Meek, Frank C. Capwell, chairman; Hugh Hogan.

Rivers and harbors—Hugh Hogan, chairman; George Roeth, John Mitchell, E. P. Cook, Frank C. Capwell, chairman; E. A. Broed, J. W. Phillips, A. H. Schlueter, H. A. Buttner.

Manufacturing—A. H. Schlueter, chairman; W. H. Wellby, Sol Kahn.

Grievances—J. W. Phillips, chairman; John Mitchell, George Roeth, Theodore Gier, H. D. Cushing.

Promotion and advertising—A. H. Schlueter, chairman; W. H. Wellby, E. A. Heron, Sol Kahn.

The committee on quarters reported that they had been unable to find the present time to find a location convenient for their meetings, and were unable to continue their work with the utmost vigor, being given full power to close the transaction when such a place should be found.

The committee on membership still report large gains in that direction, and the thousand mark is expected to be reached before the first of the year.

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DR. TILLIE CAMPBELL, physician and surgeon, 964 14th st.; phone Oakland 6305. Hours 2-4 p. m.

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FARMERS' AND MERCHANTS' SAVINGS BANK OF OAKLAND, CAL.

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BOY DENIES A MURDER

John Schneider, Envolved by His Confessions, Faces a Jury.

WESTERN PACIFIC ARRAIGNED

Begins Action to Condemn Certain Lands in Pleasanton.

MITCHELL PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO THE GIRL'S CHARGE.

Attorney Pleads Not Guilty to the Girl's Charge.

MANY ARE KILLED

Hundreds Lose Their Lives During Street Fight.

Attorney David Mitchell was arraigned in the criminal department of the Superior Court this morning and entered a plea of not guilty to the charge of having misled Evelyn Walker, a minor child, and the date of his trial was set for January 15. He seemed careworn and the effect of his imprisonment on him was the cause of general comment. He was represented by Attorneys Aldrich and Davis, and his cause was given as early a date as could be found vacant on the calendar.

The publication of a statement to the effect that Mitchell was once a mayor of a town in New Zealand from which he departed under a cloud, has turned interest in his case temporarily from the offense for which he was arrested to what might have been his history prior to his coming to this city. There, however, is little direct information upon the subject further than Mitchell's own reticence concerning the matter, refusing personally either to affirm or deny the story.

Attorney Aldrich states for his client that he was convicted of a felony but admits that Mitchell did not once commit it in New Zealand. He also states that he is going to interview for the purpose of finding out if she can throw any light on the subject.

There seems to be little hope of Mitchell's getting persons who can give sufficient bail to secure his release. His attorneys have not given up all hope, but they claim that \$10,000 is excessive and that friends of Mitchell who are personally willing to go on his bond for all they are worth are not able to give twice this sum as required by law.

BOY EXPLODES DYNAMITE

Edward Saupbaugh, a boy 10 years of age, residing at 911 Wood street exploded a dynamite cartridge with a hammer with the result that he will lose one of his eyes. He also sustained a broken nose. Dr. Boyes was called to attend the little fellow and at once had him removed to a hospital in the hope that the eye might be saved. The cartridge in exploding filled the eye ball full of powder, destroying the retina, it is thought.

The boy while playing around the yard found the explosive and let his curiosity get the better of him. He pounded the cartridge with a lead pipe until it exploded.

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FUNERAL NOTICE.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 18, 1905.

NOTICE—Members of University Lodge, No. 14, I. O. O. F. and Hobby,通知

and friends, to attend the funeral of

Frank W. Langley, beloved father of

Frank W. and Newell P. Langley and

of Frank W. and Margaret A. Starnett, a native of Massachusetts, aged 78 years 8 months and 2 days.

FILLMORE—In this city, December 18, 1905. Luther, beloved husband of Mary Smith, a native of Ireland, died at his residence, 933 Milton street, thence to St. Francis de Sales Church, where a requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of her soul, commencing at 9:30 o'clock a. m. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery.

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WELLS—In this city, December 17, 1905. Victor Harrison Wells, beloved son of Henry and Anna Wells, a native of New York, aged 63 years 3 months and 2 days.

HURLEY—In this city, December 17, 1905. Thomas Hurley, a native of Ireland, aged 85 years.

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Drawn-work Handkerchiefs.....	.15c to .50c
Drawn-work Center Pieces.....	.50c to \$15.00
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Tea Sets.....	\$1.25 to \$12.00
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ENGAGEMENTS AND WEDDINGS

YULETIDE ANNOUNCEMENTS OF INTEREST TO THE SMART SET.

Formal announcement has just been made of two engagements of interest to Oakland society. At an informal luncheon last Saturday given to a few college friends members of the Kappa Gamma fraternity, Miss Elizabeth Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Gray announced her engagement to Frederick Wirt Potter.

Miss Gray is a clever, talented girl and a graduate of the University of California. She is curator of the original writers' section at Ebell, and with her sister, Miss Mabel Gray, has always been prominent in club and social life.

Mr. Potter is a graduate of the University of Michigan, and will take his bride to Kansas, where he has extensive business interests.

The other betrothal of importance is that of Miss Alice Rosseter, daughter of Mrs. Winfred Rosseter, of Grand street, Alameda, and Adolph Lope Dieckmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Dieckmann of Golden Gate. The announcement was made Saturday at a card party given at the Rosseter home.

The bride-to-be is the member of a prominent family, and her fiance is a promising young business man, and a brother of Fred and John Henry Dieckmann.

No date has been set for the wedding, but it will probably take place early in the new year.

FOR BRIDE-ELECT

Mrs. Mary E. Stovall of East Oakland will entertain tomorrow for Miss May Hogan, the popular young bride-to-be. The hours are from 4 to 6, and a pleasant afternoon is anticipated.

The guest list includes Mrs. L. Abbott, Mrs. H. Abel, Miss Gertrude Abel, Mrs. Hattie Ayers, Mrs. E. Adams, Mrs. W. Albertson, Mrs. A. Bangle, Mrs. H. Bahls, Mrs. Charles Cushing, Mrs. M. P. Brooks, Mrs. J. Boyle, Miss Bendel, Miss M. Christy, Miss M. Cummins, Miss A. Cummings, Miss Clara Crist, Miss M. Conrad, Mrs. Johanna Crist, Miss Lucille Dunham, Miss J. Dieckmann, Miss F. Degen, Miss Salle Devine, Miss Alta Donahoo, Miss May Donahoo, Miss Adella Dugen, Mrs. E. Dugan, Mrs. W. Davis, Miss L. Evans, Miss M. Evans, Mrs. John Ellis, Mrs. Folkers, Mrs. George Farmer, Miss Edith Foster, Miss Estelle Grandjean, Miss Anna Gerber, Mrs. J. W. Gilmore, Mrs. George Houskin, Mrs. L. Hinman, Mrs. H. Henderson, Mrs. Hugh

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Hogan, Miss Ella Hogan, Miss Anna Haye, Mrs. H. W. Hogan, Mrs. T. P. Hogan, Mrs. Kate Hogan, Miss Mary Hogan, Mrs. F. Hackey, Mrs. A. Kempkey, Mrs. A. Kempkey Jr., Miss L. Knapp, Miss M. Koeler, Mrs. M. J. Kehler, Miss B. King, Miss E. King, Mrs. George Lowell, Mrs. Ed Lohman, Miss T. Muller, Miss A. Muller, Mrs. H. Muller, Mrs. M. Muther, Mrs. G. W. Muther, Mrs. E. Mott, Miss K. Murphy, Miss M. Metzgar, Miss A. Metzgar, Miss M. Moffitt, Miss N. Moffitt, Miss E. Moffitt, Miss M. Moffitt, Miss Grace Meese, Miss B. Powell, Miss N. Peters, Mrs. B. Parker, Miss A. Rother, Mrs. T. Tum Suden, Mrs. W. Smith, Mrs. F. Lucy, Miss M. Christen, Mrs. V. Glarden, Mrs. C. Lerman, Mrs. Stevens, Miss Alma Keser, Mrs. D. Waggers, Mrs. G. Scott, Mrs. F. Sherling, Miss Ada Sherlin, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. W. E. Street, Miss V. Tyrell, Mrs. E. Wagner, Mrs. Charles Wagner, Mrs. S. Lope Dieckmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Dieckmann of Golden Gate. The announcement was made Saturday at a card party given at the Rosseter home.

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IMPORTANT EVENT.

One of the important society events of the month will be the marriage on Wednesday evening of Miss Jean Downey, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Downey, and Hugh Goodfellow, of East Oakland. Only relatives and close friends have been invited to the pretty ceremony, Rev. E. E. Baker officiating. Included in the wedding party are Miss Lillian Downey as maid of honor and Miss Mary Downey, Miss Ethel Crellin, Miss May Coogan and Miss Marlon Goodfellow as bridesmaids. Arthur Goodfellow, brother of the groom, will support him as best man, and four ushers, Stanley Moore, William Stubbs, Alfred Flaw and James Force will complete the many friends here.

WILL BE GUESTS.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gaskill are expected here within a few days from Denver. There is to be a family reunion at the home of the Gaskills for the Christmas holidays.

DINNER PARTY.

Miss Grace Sperry was hostess recently at an elaborate dinner for Miss Marlon Goodfellow and her fiance, Stanely Moore. Among those who participated in the pleasant affair at Arbor Villa were Miss Goodfellow, Mr. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Smith, Miss Evelyn Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Goodfellow, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. White Arthur Goodfellow and several others.

GOING SOUTH.

Harry Lane of Los Angeles, the fiance of Miss Mabel Reed, left yesterday for his home in the South, where he will assume the position of editor on the News. Friday evening an elaborate dinner was given by Mrs. Will Deming in honor of the young couple, and their many friends here regret that after the wedding in the spring, Mr. Lane and his charming bride will make their home in Los Angeles.

AT LUNCHEON.

Miss Bonnie Downing was hostess recently at a pleasant luncheon given at her home across the bay. The guests included Miss Frances Stewart, Miss Ertz, Miss Susanne Ertz, Miss Elsa Draper and Miss Gertrude Russell.

XMAS PARTY.

The children at the Larkey-Merrill school enjoyed their much anticipated Christmas party last Friday. At

10 a. m. fifty little kindergarten people assembled in the primary room and marched downstairs into the kindergarten room. After the march the children formed a circle and welcomed their guests with songs, after which all sat down to talk of why they were there, what Christmas meant, etc.

Then the games were played. These little people had worked hard and remembered many of the little boys and girls who had been less fortunate than they, and prepared a wagon-load of clothes, toys, fruit and nuts which had been distributed. Many fortunate ones were also remembered, for the babes had made gifts as surprises to mothers,

HAVE RETURNED.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Fife and Miss Beatrice Fife, niece of Mrs. Oscar Luning, who have been traveling through Canada and the northern part



MISS MAY HOGAN, popular bride-elect who will be guest of honor tomorrow at a tea given by Mrs. Stovall.

of the United States for two or three months, have returned to San Francisco.

HONORED GUEST.

Mrs. Roy McCabe (Edith Gaskill) will be honored guest at a luncheon to be given Saturday in the Palm Garden of the Palace Hotel. A dozen friends are invited to the informal affair.

A RECITAL.

Miss Maude Edith Pope will give a pupils' recital next Friday afternoon at her home on Linda Vista.

AT THE THEATER.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Magee and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Magee will occupy a box at the benefit for the Doctors' Daughters tonight at the Majestic theater in San Francisco.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. C. M. Dyer and her daughter, Miss Nellie Dyer, have gone to Denver and Salt Lake for a holiday visit.

Miss Jessie Fox has returned from the East, where she went to attend the marriage of an old school friend.

CUTICURA CURED BABY

OF TERRIBLE RAW BUMPS AFTER DOCTORS' fail—Mrs. G. J. Siecke, Akron, Ohio

CAR BLOCKADE ON BROADWAY

A very effectual and to the public, annoying street car blockade of half an hour, occurred at Fourteenth and Broadway at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

A carriage drawn by two horses, and owned by Thomas Carrick of the Oberlin stables, was crossing Broadway when one of the horses slipped and fell on the wet pavement, dragging the other down with him.

A RECENT.

The team soon became a confused mass of tangled and struggling horseflesh and harness, and the driver, F. A. Woolsey, got down and tried to get the horses to their feet. He was unable to do so and shortly the cars on six lines of street railway were effectually blocked, not a wheel being able to move, and a crowd of three or four hundred people soon assembled around the plunging horses and helpless driver.

At this juncture Captain Wilson, with Policemen Sill and Cockerton came to the rescue, and tried to raise the blockade, but finally had to call upon the spectators for assistance before they could do so.

When things were finally straightened out the carriage was found to be not seriously injured, but the horses had so battered themselves against the hard sidewalk that they were bleeding copiously from nostrils, knees and other parts of their bodies.

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PILLSBURY TELLS OF THE LARGE HOSPITAL

How the Patients Are Handled and Treated at Ward's Island.

The following letter is by A. J. Pillsbury, agent of Governor Pardoe, who is touring in the East.

THE LARGEST HOSPITAL.

Ward's Island, Where 5000 Poor Victims
of Insanity Are Congregated and
Scientifically Treated.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24, 1905.—I shall offer my friends of the press no apology for furnishing another candidate for the waste basket devoted to Insanity and the care of the insane. It may be admitted, I think, that the hospitals for the care of the insane in California rank higher than any other form of State institutional work. There is brought to bear on their behalf a greater degree of scientific knowledge and a more expert treatment of persons confined to their charge than is the case with any other form of State institution not devoted to education. And yet there is room for improvement, even in California, and especially is there need for the California public becoming more adequately informed regarding the causes, care and treatment of the insane. There is no other calamity like unto insanity and there are perhaps few other forms of disease more certainly preventable. Most persons have their own brains, as certainly their own bodies, within their own keeping.

LARGEST IN THE WORLD.

The hospital at Ward's Island, New York, is the largest in the world. On the day of my visit there were 5400 patients, in round numbers, in that one hospital whose institution it is to take care of, in part only, of those who go insane in Greater New York. This is almost as many as there were on the same date in the five hospitals of California. I presume that there were 500 persons employed in taking care of the Ward's Island patients.

I can best describe Ward's Island Hospital in full. The Island is over against Hell Gate and contains about 320 acres, all devoted to hospital purposes. It is a busy place and surprisingly interesting. The hospital at Ward's Island, New York, is the largest in the world. On the day of my visit there were 5400 patients, in round numbers, in that one hospital whose institution it is to take care of, in part only, of those who go insane in Greater New York. This is almost as many as there were on the same date in the five hospitals of California. I presume that there were 500 persons employed in taking care of the Ward's Island patients.

ARRESTING ACUTE INSANITY.

What attracted my attention more than anything else was the splendid provision made for the care of acute cases, that is, for the cases of those who have recently gone insane. In California hospitals, as I recall them, the extraordinary efforts are made on behalf of convalescent cases, and I think that this is the rule in such institutions generally, but not so at Ward's Island. There every energy is bent toward making the new arrival comfortable, well and happy. The best furnished wards, the best parlors, bedrooms, and most inviting surroundings are provided for those seemingly as mad as March hares.

It was too cold when I was at Ward's Island for flowering plants out of doors, so the acute wards were bountifully supplied with potted plants and cut flowers from the conservatories. There were handsome pictures on the walls and the tables were supplied with the most tempting foods. The patients were allowed to eat all that they could digest. In short, Ward's Island makes its supreme effort, the threshold of insanity and with the result that forty per cent of the insanity is nipped in the bud, so to speak. Having spent six or eight weeks, if needed, instead of as may days as in most institutions, under the care of the whole medical staff and in the acute ward, the patient, if his malady proves amenable to treatment, is passed on to the convalescent ward and then out to work.

WORK IS GOOD MEDICINE.

Ward's Island is not much overburdened with nabobs whose sensibilities would be hurt if they were required to do physical labor, so the greater share of the inmates work. There was a round 2000 at work on the day of my visit. Thirty per cent of the male patients committed are skilled mechanics and they work nearly as well insane as sane. Others are taught new trades which they ply when they have regained their reason. Eighty per cent of the women and

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IMMIGRANTS ARE "DOCTORED"

HOW THEY ARE FIXED UP FOR SHIPMENT TO THIS COUNTRY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—That diseased European immigrants are "doctored up" in great numbers for shipment to this country is the charge made by Dr. Maurice Fishberg of this city, a special inspector of the immigration service of the United States, who recently returned from abroad. Dr. Fishberg spent several months in the old world, visiting the European terminals of the big trans-Atlantic steamship lines, and making a special study of the shipping of Russian immigrants across the German frontier. Most of the things which the doctor saw abroad are incorporated in the report which he made to the Commissioner General of Immigration at Washington.

Dr. Fishberg said yesterday: "The 'curing' of diseased aliens for admission to the United States has become a tremendous industry abroad. Ramifications of the business may be found at Liverpool, London, Southampton, Marseilles and at various frontier cities of Russia and Austria-Hungary. In these cities I have personally visited boarding-houses and so-called hospitals, where emigrants suffering from trachoma in its most advanced stages were being treated that they might pass inspection and enter the United States.

"Trachoma is a disease of the eye of which America has a special horror.

"In Marseilles the 'treatment' of trachoma has assumed remarkable dimensions. Here most of the immigrants from the Orient, from Syria, Armenia and neighboring countries, come on their way to the United States. Most of the immigrants report to a man by

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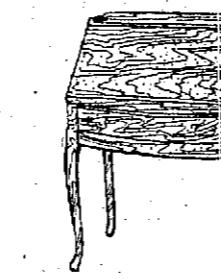
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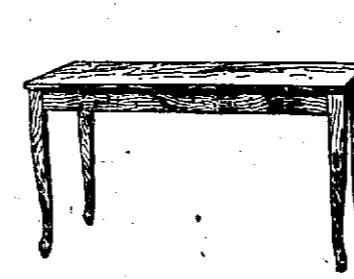
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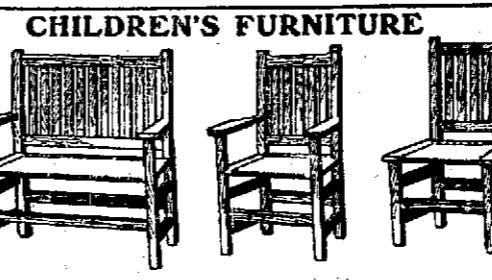
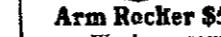
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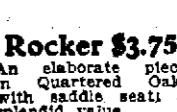
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PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 18.—It was learned yesterday that two highwaymen who held up the North Coast Limited Saturday night succeeded in getting only \$1 from the express car. The safe had less money in them than any previous day. One of the train robbers had waited until the next train it is said that they would have made a considerably larger haul.

Such good clays have been obtained by the robbers by the Northern Pacific and other detectives that hopes are entertained that both will be captured. It is the general opinion in police circles that the robbers are members of the International Typographical Union in enforcing the eight hour demand after January 1, the eighth day of the month. There are 20,000 workers throughout the United States. About 3000 of these are in New York City.

↑ A convention of the association will be held in Buffalo January 29, when the question of demanding a forty-eight hour working week will be acted on. The eight hour agitation will be joined in by the typewriters, newspaper men, etc.

The action of the convention will depend on the success of the International Typographical Union in enforcing the eight hour demand after January 1, the eighth day of the month.

↑ The robbers demands were \$100 in gold.

Oakland Tribune

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The Story of the Show Windows.

MERCHANTS report the largest holiday trade in the history of Oakland. That is the universal testimony of tradesmen, and casual observation of the shopping crowds which throng Broadway, Washington, San Pablo avenue and the intersecting streets is convincing proof of the truth of the statement.

Not only is the number of shoppers larger than ever before, but the amount of individual purchases breaks all previous records. Everybody appears to have money, for nearly everybody is spending freely. People in Oakland can afford to buy, and they find in Oakland stores attractive bargains and excellent value for their money.

The unprecedented volume of the local holiday trade is proof of three things, all gratifying to loyal Oaklanders. First, it indicates general prosperity; secondly, it is evidence of a rapid increase in the population; and, thirdly, it proves that Oakland merchants are fully abreast of the times in their business methods and in anticipating the wants of the public. They have held the home trade because they are carrying large lines of the best grades of goods and are offering them at prices as low as can be quoted anywhere.

A study of the show windows on the principal thoroughfares is both interesting and instructive. Finer or more artistic displays will not meet the eye in cities much larger than Oakland. They are evidences of taste and enterprise as well as business sagacity. They prove that Oakland shoppers can find anything they want in this city at exceedingly low prices. In addition to the heavy stocks of fabrics of the latest patterns, there is an immense variety and quantity of beautiful and appropriate articles for Christmas presents—jewelry, plate, ornaments, books, pictures and miscellaneous articles of personal use. On every side the eye is tempted by artistic devices and low prices until the purse capacity is strained and the brain puzzled to make a choice.

The toy and notion stores are fairy bazaars, sights to delight the vision of old and young and fill the hearts and stockings of all who come. The fancy display in furniture and leather goods are particularly large and fine, no end of dainty bric-a-brac and all sorts of quaint ornaments for the household. There is a wealth of ladies' lingerie, fancy neckwear and furs. It is a treat for shoppers to merely make the rounds of the splendid windows, gay with color and sparkle and appealing to the love of the beautiful.

No wonder Oaklanders are trading at home! No wonder they are buying freely. No wonder every patriotic citizen feels a sense of pride when he reflects on the tremendous strides local trade has taken during the last few years. The air of thrift, of business energy and activity pervading the shopping district, the throngs in the great stores, all show the wonderful progress Oakland is making, her increase in material wealth and the rapid development of her business life.

What is all this continued row about the Chinese boycott for? We understand that Congressman McKinley had settled the dispute and had the boycott called off.

When a carnival of crime prevails in a community there is no need to bring parole testimony to establish the fact. Ample evidence of it should be found in the daily newspapers.

At any rate Oakland has a carnival of holiday shopping even if she has no carnival of crime.

Jay Gould on Rate Regulations.

The Springfield Republican has recalled what the late Jay Gould had to say about rate regulation in his testimony before the Senate committee on education and labor in 1883. Mr. Gould was one of the great railroad builders of the country, and his views might naturally be expected to be partial to the railroad interests. Hence it is somewhat surprising to find him giving unqualified adherence to the doctrine of government control and rate regulation. He said:

"Corporate property is clothed with rights and with public duties, and those rights are paramount to the rights of the stockholders; that is, you are to perform your public obligations to the business you are created to perform. When that is done, I judge of it as I would any private property because I have faith in the government, and faith in the republican institutions under which we live. If there were a clamor that the Western Union was charging unreasonable rates, it would be perfectly fair for the government to inquire into it, and, if they found them unreasonable, to control them."

In 1887 Congress enacted a National railroad law which intended to confer upon the Interstate Commerce Commission, then created, power to establish reasonable rates. And now, after twenty-two years, after eighteen years, the railroads and their spokesmen pretty generally assert a right to be let alone in charging what they please for a monopolistic and necessary public service. Commenting on this the Republican says: "They are in the wrong, obviously and absurdly so. Jay Gould was right. These quasi-public corporations are clothed with public duties which are paramount to the rights of stockholders and which justify the public authority in interfering to secure reasonable charges, and impose such other restrictions as the public interest demands."

The Springfield paper ignores the vital question demanding consideration. It argues that the power to regulate exists, but fails to discuss the wisdom of exercising it in the manner proposed. It is contended by many eminent lawyers that Congress has already exercised its full constitutional powers in this direction, and that the failure of the present law to afford relief from admitted evils and abuses is due rather to official negligence and the attitude of the courts than to legislative deficiency. They further contend that the legislation now demanded contravenes constitutional authority and would be productive of graver evils than those now existing. But, admitting that Congress has the power to legislate as proposed, the wisdom of the remedy suggested is still to be demonstrated.

A Louisville hackman was presented with a revolver, and was so impressed by its possibilities that he got up in his sleep and shot another sleeping hackman to death. Hanging him while awake will probably cure him of the habit of murdering people in his sleep.

Mr. Harriman explains that his statement on the witness stand to the effect that former Governor Odell derived his political influence from him was intended as a joke. The truth is often spoken in jest, but one can readily understand why Mr. Harriman should not claim responsibility for many of Odell's acts. And in the very nature of things it is evident that the railroad magnate had no intention of being taken seriously when he uttered his little mot. The newspaper pretended to take him seriously, however, and hence Mr. Harriman finds it necessary to explain.

"But," said the insurance solicitor, "you should do something to provide for your family after your death."

"I'd like to, and will if you can show me how to provide for them while I'm living and at the same time help to support the officials of your company in the style to which they have been accustomed."

Chicago Record-Herald.

HAPPY YONSON.

I was a bright and sunny morning when I started on my run With Happy Yonson as my student—a student "jus' for fun," So he told me as we started, in his droll and happy way, And I scratched my head and wondered what would come to pass that day.

There was much that "Happy" didn't know about a trolley car—A fact which I knew to be quite true before we'd traveled far. "Ay tank Ay like dis yob," he said, with his happy, cheerful smile, So I started in to teach him—he was grinning all the while.

When we had made a trip or two, and the Swede was at his ease, And when he'd seen me stop and start while the Con. took up the fees,

I let him take the controller bar and guide the car alone, And then we started down the street with a speed that made me groan—

Every block we passed someone who wildly beckoned him to stop, But "Happy" only beckoned back, like a silly, Swedish fool— Just then a train loomed up ahead, which I knew we couldn't pass—I plied the air—we stopped right there—but the Swede went through the glass.

He hit the pavement out in front, but he never lost his smile. "Ay tank Ay got enough," he said, "Ay bay rest a little while." Now there's many things about this job it doesn't do to tell, But when Con. took in the nicks he didn't always ring the bell— And to square himself with me, who really never missed a point, He was wont to ask me, when we stopped, into a whiskey joint. To celebrate this fateful day, we called for the very best, And quite many times we crossed the street with "Happy" as our guest.

When our work was over with that day, we started for the barn, And "Happy" tried his hand again—I thought he could do no harm. But he soon had me a guessing, for he knew the ropes quite well, And I started in to thinking what this smiling Swede might tell. When we reported in the morning, we knew the jig was up— That smiling Swede was but a spotter—he surely did us up. Now I'm looking for another job, and sometimes for a feed, And incidentally for a pesky, grinning, gaping, smiling Swede.

HOW IT LOOKS ABROAD.

Mayor Mott and the members of the City Council of Oakland are highly indignant over the repeated declarations from the pulpits of the Athens of the Pacific that it is in the throes of a carnival of crime. Councilman Elliot, in letters to the Rev. E. R. Dillie and the Rev. Robert Whitaker, has demanded proofs of their pulpit statements. As the clergyman's utterances in his sermons to his congregation are seldom or never challenged, the temptation is to reprehensible recklessness of statement. If a pastor knew that there was in the church a speaker of much ability who, at the conclusion of the sermon would make a powerful argument in disproof of his assertions, the clergyman's discourse would be much more conservative. The good people of Oakland have no desire for the news to be flashed over the Union that a carnival of crime prevails in their city. The Merchants' Exchange have the matter under consideration and the Rev. Mr. Whitaker and the Rev. Mr. Dillie will have to "put up or shut up."—Eureka Californian.

AN OFT TOLD TALE.

In Oakland the sensational preachers are having their day. They charged that the town was in the hands of the Philistines to a degree theretofore unknown. The police have challenged them to produce the proofs and the reverend accusers have promised to respond in due time. It would be impudent, of course, not to say presumptuous, to dip into the private affairs of so well ordered a community as Oakland, but we may be permitted to predict that the bill of particulars will fall far short of the promise. Every newspaperman knows how good citizens, being suddenly apprised of conditions that shocked their sensitive souls, rushed into the light of publicity with promiscuous accusations, railed at the newspapers for not taking up the subject in the same frenzied way, and then, when it came to producing proof, utterly collapsed. Oakland is probably no better than other civilized communities, but it, like them, is not past redemption. The chief objection to general and unsupported accusations directed against a community is that they make real reform more difficult. When you shout "wolf!" it is always better to be sure that there is a wolf about the neighborhood.—Sacramento Sunday News.

SOME PASSING JESTS.

Nordy—My wedding suit cost me \$150. Pretty expensive, eh? Butts—Yes; but that isn't a marker to what my divorce suit cost.—Houston Chronicle.

"Has young Plunger any holdings in the Skidmore stocks?" "Holdings? Well, I guess! He goes three or four times every week to see old Skidmore's daughter."—Chicago Tribune.

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Woman is Arrested for Cheating Restaurant Owners.

Mrs. Nora Garrity, a woman 24 years of age, was arrested yesterday on the complaint of Mrs. Kaston, a proprietor of a restaurant at 960 Broadway, on a charge of defrauding an innkeeper.

Mrs. Garrity, according to the statements of Mrs. Kaston and other restaurant keepers, has been earning a comfortable living, as far as food is concerned, by dining at the various places where the culinary art thrives, and departing without paying for the same.

For a period of ten days or a week the young woman has had the best that the restaurants afforded, and in each case is said to have departed without leaving an equivalent in cold for the amount of substantial food and delicacies consumed.

Yesterday afternoon she extended her patronage to Mrs. Kaston. She went through the usual process of dining heartily and attempting to leave without paying for it.

Mrs. Kaston, being a woman, knew her customer better than the other male proprietors and promptly had her patron arrested, inasmuch as the question of gallantry did not enter.

When once landed at the city prison Miss Garrity became very penitent and humble. The humiliation of being arrested was a very great trial to her and she repeatedly called on the parish priest to extricate her from her trouble.

It is thought that possibly Miss Garrity is not quite right mentally and has been defrauding the various restaurant keepers of small sums of money while she was suffering temporally from a mental aberration.

Judge Samuels of Department 2 of the Police Court, before whom the young lady came this morning, was not ready to pass on the case and continued the matter until tomorrow. It is possible that the sanity of Miss Garrity will be examined into.

STOCKHOLDERS ARE APPRECIATIVE

At the annual meeting of the Figprune Cereal Company, held at San Jose last Thursday, the stockholders were treated to a complete surprise.

The board of directors elected in December, 1904, developed executive and business ability far beyond that displayed by the average successful man. During 1905 they retired a large amount of indebtedness and placed the business on a profit-showing basis that surprised and delighted the stockholders.

The Figprune Cereal Company has probably met with more than its share of reverses. Its product, Figprune Cereal Coffee, is consumed by thousands of people that cannot drink coffee or tea. To introduce such an article requires a considerable amount of money—more than the originators realized.

The late Sydney M. Smith, just prior to his death acquired an interest in the company and agreed to finance it to the extent of \$250,000. His death withdrew the enlisted financial support and it was a case of begin over again.

The promise of a considerable sum of money was finally obtained and assuming that it would be forthcoming an introductory campaign far beyond the means of the company was planned. This time the man behind the money became timid and the company was left high and dry to work out its own salvation.

The Pacific Coast territory, where the introductory work was properly done, pulled the company out of the hole it was in and proved the judgment of the originators to be sound.

The original plan consisted of a wash tub and two tin buckets. The present plan couples nearly half a block and is one of the most prominent industries of San Jose.

Just as an illustration of how carefully the directors look after the interests of the Figprune stockholders it will not be amiss to state that the principal officers are donating their services to the corporation. This being in sharp contrast to the tactics adopted by many corporations, the stockholders were loud in their praise of the men white enough to follow such a course.

There is, right in this city, a proposition that could be made a greater and more pronounced success than Figprune because of the fact that the possible demand is ten times greater and the cost of introduction would be very much less.

The product has been under investigation for a number of months and it is more than likely that it will be financed and placed on the market.

SECRETARY SHAW RECEIVES A REPORT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Secretary Shaw has received the following telegraphic report from Comptroller Ridgely, now in Chicago, in reference to the failure of the Chicago banks announced this morning:

"Clearing House banks guaranteed pay all liabilities for the three banks, which will liquidate and pay everything in full. The officers and directors will resign and will be replaced by Clearing House committee and Examiner Bosworth, who will run the banks and conduct liquidation. This should relieve situation and prevent further trouble here or elsewhere."

BANK'S OFFICIALS HOLD MEETING

BEDFORD, Ind., Dec. 18.—The officials of the New Bedford Bank, of which John R. Walsh of Chicago is president, received notification at 11 o'clock today of the Chicago financial troubles. A meeting of the directors and stockholders of the bank was called at once. The bank's business is being conducted as usual. The deposits, according to officials or the bank, are \$300,000.

BICYCLE THIEF SENT TO IONE

Willie Lamouroux, a seventeen-year-old boy, was sentenced to the Preston School of Industry at Ione this morning by Judge T. W. Harris until he is 21 years of age. He had entered a plea of guilty to the charge of breaking glass.

WATERFRONT DEED

The West Shore Land Company has recorded a deed from the Central California Land Company to the Waterfront Association of Alameda. The property runs from Atlantic street to the water front and is 40 feet long and 100 feet wide. It is now under construction.

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SERIOUS TROUBLE IN SHANGHAI

WE FOREIGNERS HAVE BEEN KILLED AND MANY WOUNDED.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 18.—The riot is suppressed. Twenty Chinese rioters were killed and a few Europeans wounded. Otherwise the damage was slight.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The State Department has news from Shanghai that a serious situation exists there. Two cablegrams received at the Department over night state that the trouble arose through strikes and was increased by a dispute growing out of some cases being tried before the consular courts. Two foreigners have been killed and many wounded. Naval forces, supposedly from the British squadron, which were gunned down, were present. Police stations have been burned. No Americans have thus far been injured, but the official statement was made that the situation is regarded as serious. Two American cruisers are now on their way to Shanghai.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—A cable message from Shanghai says the riot has been suppressed. Twenty Chinese were killed.

COMEDY AT THE LIBERTY THEATER

comedy awaits the patrons of Ye Liberty Playhouse beginning tonight, when Madeline Lucetta Riley's brilliant comedy, "Christopher, Jr." will be the bill. Mrs. Riley wrote this splendid play originally for Mr. John Drew, on a wager proposed by her husband. She won her wager, and also unlimited success, for few comedies have met with a better reception than "Christopher, Jr." From the rise of the curtain to the end of the last act it is one continual series of clever, comic situations, interspersed with brilliant epigrams and clever lines. There is never a hitch or a lag in the entire performance, and Bishop's players are sure of giving an unctuous performance tonight, as they played this delightful comedy to excellent business all last week at the Majestic Theater in San Francisco.

The story of the mysterious marriage of Christopher Colt, Jr., to a girl he has never seen, his meeting with Dora Hedway and falling in love with her, although he is already married by proxy to another, his finally walking up to the fact that Dora is the very girl he married in Trinidad by proxy, forms but a few of the many funny complications in the piece.

The cast that is to present it this week at Ye Liberty could not possibly be improved upon. Miss Elsie Esmond, who has been in New York for the past six months in a Broadway production, returns to the stage of the Liberty Players, to play the role of Dora Hedway, the part made famous by Maude Adams. Miss Esmond is in every way fitted to be Miss Adams' successor in this delightful role. Robert Wayne, who Oaklanders last saw as Marco Valerius in "The Light Eternal," is to say good-bye to California in the title role of the comedy. Mr. Wayne becomes leading man for one of Bishop's other companies after this week. Franklin Underwood, the handsome young actor who is rapidly becoming such a favorite in Oakland, will play Burt Bellaby, the young barrister, a clever lawyer role. Frank Bacon, the inimitable, will take a role after his own heart, namely Mr. Gibbs, who, with his present, and likewise to his sister, Elmer Booth has a splendid opportunity as Major Hedway, as has Lloyd Ingram as Christopher Colt, Sr. Charming Ada Levick will be the Mrs. Colt, and Jane Weldman makes her re-appearance as Mrs. Gibbs. Margot Maerlum will play Nellie Tracy, and the other members of the company are well placed. A first-class production is promised, and a week of jollity can be looked forward to.

HAS A BALANCE IN NEW YORK

OMAHA, Dec. 18.—The new Los Angeles Limited, which left Chicago last night, reached Omaha this morning, over the Chicago and Northwestern, leaving fifteen minutes later over the Union Pacific for the West. The train goes via the Union Pacific and the San Pedro and San Joaquin in Los Angeles Wednesday night. The train has a good passenger list and carried a party of forty newspaper men.

The initial train was considered of unusual importance in railroad circles and a large party of prominent traffic men from the railroads interested men from among those who made the first trip.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

METROPOLIS—John Selmers, San Francisco; Russell Counterman, Oakland; R. H. Jones, San Francisco; F. D. Newberry, Philadelphia; C. S. Willis, Boston; A. Condin, San Francisco.

ALBANY—L. L. Walker, Oakland; F. L. Carvalho, San Leandro; W. E. Richards, Seattle; C. R. Slemmer, Gilroy; D. Shaw, San Francisco; Karamazoo; R. W. Priest, New York; R. C. Ressey, Fresno; Miss Mary Phelps, Calistoga; J. B. Alexander, Hamilton, N. Y.; E. P. Burgess and wife, Oakland; Dr. George W. Stockton; A. H. Pippen, W. A. Hammond, San Francisco; Mr. Sanford, Sonoma.

ATLANTIS—F. Hummel, Oakland; Mrs. L. D. Davis, Beatrice Davis, Salt Lake City; Mrs. A. MacFarland, Mrs. J. G. Nichols, Oakland.

CERILLIN—Mrs. Mabel Myre, Oakland; H. M. Goodfellow, Wilson; J. W. McGovern, San Jose; Ed La Ferde, Constantine; A. F. McPherson, Sacramento; Hugh Smith, E. G. Gleeson, San Francisco.

GALINDO—P. W. Groon, Yap Mayfield, San Francisco; J. P. Papay, San Francisco; P. O'Connor, U. S. N. W. Ward, George Miller, Sacramento; A. G. Stewart, San Francisco.

ARLINGTON—J. W. Nease, San Francisco; E. B. Dutcher, Oakland; W. J. Hadley, San Francisco; George E. Sweaney, Niles.

H. H. Smith and wife, Oroville; A. L. Vinton, Los Angeles; W. S. Wilkins, Migan; Dr. J. E. Schaefer, San Leandro.

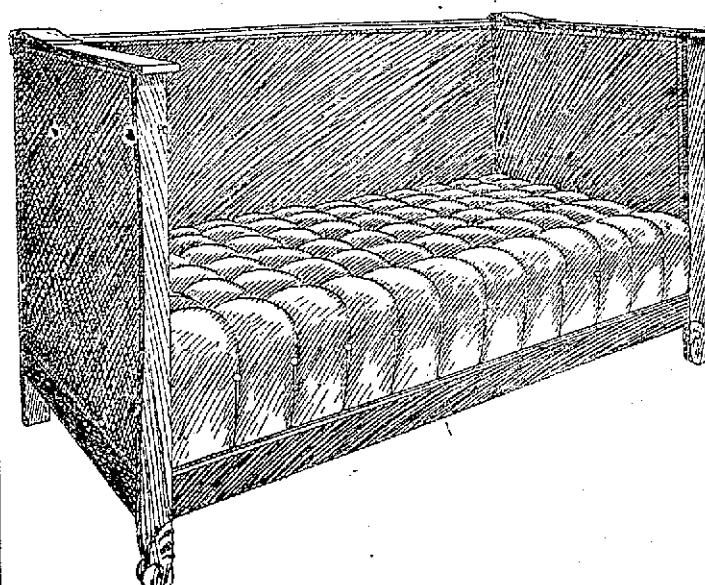
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CRTGAGE CHURCH PROPERTY

A mortgage was granted this morning by Henry Melvin to the Our Lady Danish Evangelical Lutheran church to mortgage its property on the corner near San Pablo Avenue to the First National Savings and Loan Society to the sum of \$1000 with interest at 7% per cent.

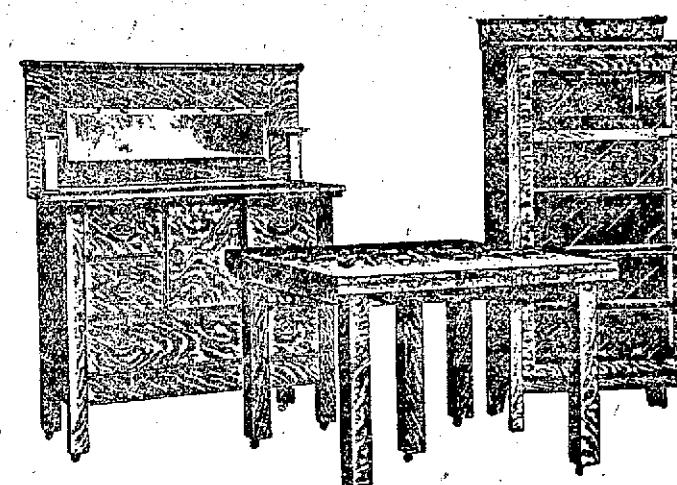
A Great Slashing Prices for Two Days, Tuesday and Wednesday

ALMOST EVERY DEPARTMENT REPRESENTED IN THIS SALE. SPECIAL HOLIDAY GOODS: EVERY ARTICLE A BETTER VALUE AT REGULAR PRICE THAN CAN BE HAD ELSEWHERE, BUT DURING THIS SALE A DOUBLY GOOD VALUE. NOW IS THE OPPORTUNE TIME TO BUY USEFUL AND SUBSTANTIAL GIFTS AND ODD PIECES FOR THE HOME. SPECIAL SALE POSITIVELY ENDS WEDNESDAY NIGHT. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO RENDER BEST OF SERVICE TO OUR PATRONS DURING THIS SALE. THESE GOODS ARE NOW ON DISPLAY IN OUR WINDOWS. GOODS WILL BE HELD FOR CHRISTMAS DELIVERY.



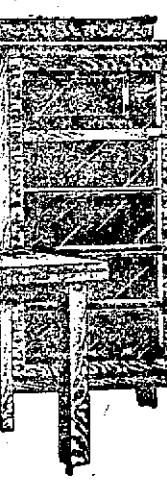
Reg. \$42.00—Special \$26.75

Just think! A Davenport like this, over 5 feet long, seat 30 inches deep, frame in quarter-sawed golden oak or select birch, mahogany finished, upholstered on steel springs, with fancy velours in either red or green. Regular value \$42.00. For this sale..... \$26.75



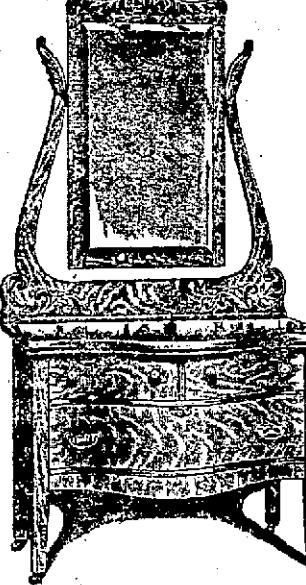
Special \$11.00

Weathered oak Buffet, top measuring 44 x 20 inches; back contains a Prentiss mirror, top, 30 x 10 inches, with one small shelf on each side. The base is conveniently arranged with drawers, brass trimmings. A beauty! Worth \$26.00. Special price only.... \$17.50



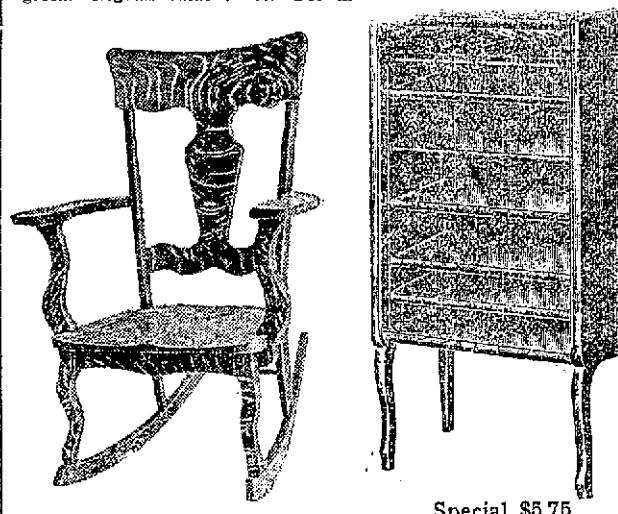
Special \$13.25

Quarter-sawed weathered oak Dining Table, thoroughly well made; 42 inches square when not extended, but can be extended to 6 feet; sides enclosed with glass panels and a large glass door. Worth \$18.00. Special price \$12.00. SPECIAL ... \$13.25



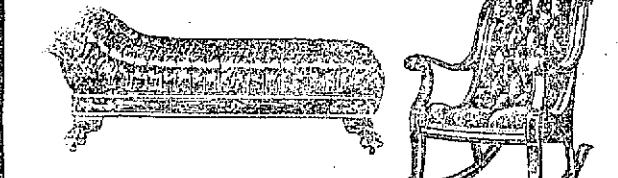
Special \$15.50.

Combination Bookcase and Writing Desk, quarter-sawed golden oak. The interior of the desk is conveniently arranged with a drawer and pigeon holes; has a French plate mirror top. The bookcase contains five adjustable shelves enclosed by glass doors. Entire width 36 inches, height 70 inches. Regular price \$30.00. Special \$15.50



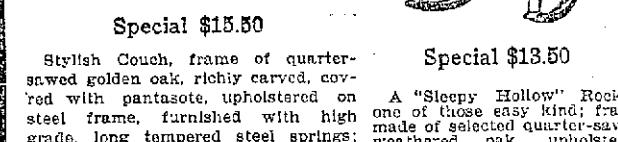
Special \$5.00

Fancy Rocker, quarter-sawed golden oak, solid saddle box seat, high back, broad panels, roomy arms supported by fancy shaped uprights. Exclusive designs. Regular \$10.50. Special \$5.00



Special \$5.75

Musica Cabinet, made of sea-soned wood, with a rich, reddish, slightly flesh. The shelves are adjustable. The cabinet measures 18x30 inches. It is furnished with rod and rings for curtain. Any one can afford one of these. Reg. \$10.50. Special \$5.75



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Stylish Couch, frame of quarter-sawed golden oak, richly carved, covered with pantasote, upholstered on steel frame, furnished with high grade, long tempered steel springs. One of those easy kind; frame made of selected quarter-sawed weathered oak, upholstered with leather, artistic, comfortable and durable. Regular price \$22.00. Special price \$15.50



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A "Sleepy Hollow" Rocker, one of those easy kind; frame made of selected quarter-sawed weathered oak, upholstered with leather, artistic, comfortable and durable. Regular price \$22.00. Special price \$13.50

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Bookcase either weathered or golden oak, five adjustable shelves, top measures 13x25 inches to be enclosed with curtain. Regular price \$12.50. Special \$13.50

Special \$13.50

Plate rack, weathered oak or golden oak, 36 inches long, 9 inches wide. Regular \$1.50. Special 95c.

Special \$13.50

Hall tree made of quarter-sawed golden oak, umbrella rack on side, a lift seat on top with box underneath, 78 inches high with a fancy back, containing French plate mirror 13x20 inches. Regular price \$13.50. Sale price \$9.50.

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Costumer in golden oak, 6 forked hangers. Regular \$1.50. Special 90c.

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Chiffonier, golden oak finish, five large roomy drawers, extra value at \$9.00. Special \$13.50.

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IS THIS WHAT AILS YOU?

If the Symptoms Fit Your Case, Remember "A Disease Once Known is Half Cured."

Feeble? Have headache? Backache? In fact, "ache all over"? Have occasional chilly sensations? Appetite gone? Tongue furred? Bad taste, especially in morning? Bad, foul breath? Perhaps nausea, or "sickness at stomach" occasionally? Feel weak, tired, but not discouraged?

The above are symptoms common to stomach and liver derangements and often precede attacks of fever and malignant affections, grippe, bronchitis, and "lung fever," or pneumonia.

Whitehead ailments they point to, you may be sure that it is best to get rid of them as soon as possible by putting your system to flight, regaining, getting up and improving stomach, liver, and bowels, and thus purifying your blood and system and enabling it to throw off the attack.

For the above purpose, medical science has as yet produced no better agent than Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is not a secret, or patent medicine, all its ingredients being printed on the bottle which carries the prescription of "well known" and expert good physician. It contains no alcohol or other harmful habit-forming agents—chemically pure, triple-refined glycerine being used both as a solvent and preservative of the medicinal extracts of which it is composed. It is made from the following native American medicinal roots: Golden Seal root; Queen's root; Stone root; Goldenseal; Mandrake root; and Black Chamomile bark. The medicinal properties of these are extracted by exact and peculiar processes with the use of chemically pure, triple-refined glycerine, of proper strength, and by means of apparatus and appliances devised for this special purpose, and in such way as to produce a most perfect pharmaceutical compound.

For the therapeutic and curative properties of some of the above ingredients, we can only give room here for a very few of the briefest extracts from standard medical works, but more complete information will be sent you, free of charge, in pamphlet form, if you will send your address, plainly written on postal card or by letter, to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., with a request for the same.

But you had best read for yourself the "words of praise" written concerning each and every ingredient of this marvelously efficacious medicine by leading medical practitioners and writers. This you can do by writing to the bookbinder mentioned in the preceding column. No other medicine for like purposes has any such professional endorsement as "Golden Medical Discovery," which should have more weight than all the ordinary testimonials so lavishly flaunted before the public by those who are afraid to publish their formulae that the search light of investigation may be turned upon them. It is well to know what one takes into the stomach, either in the form of food, drink or medicine.

From the same little book of extracts mentioned above it will readily be seen why Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription works such marvelous cures in those chronic and distressing diseases peculiar to women. In all cases of pelvic catarrh with weakening drains, bearing or "dragging-down" pains of ovaries, and in all cases of pernicious derangements and irregularities of "Female's Favorite Prescription" will be found to be made of just the right ingredients to meet and cure the trouble.

You druggist sells the "FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION" and also the "GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY." Write to Dr. Pierce about your case. He is an experienced physician and will treat your case as a friend and without charge for correspondence. Address him as directed in preceding column.

It is as easy to be well as ill—and much more comfortable. Constipation is the cause of many forms of illness. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Cure constipation. They are tiny sugar-coated granules. One little "Pellet" is gentle laxative, two a mild cathartic. All dealers in medicines sell them.

Dr. Pierce's 100-page illustrated book "The Common Sense Medical Advisor" is sent free in paper covers on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to pay the cost of mailing only. For 21 stamps the cloth-bound volume will be sent. It was formerly sold for \$1.50 per copy. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

From "Organic Medicines" by Grover Coe, M. D., of New York, we extract the following: "Hydrastis (Golden Seal) exerts an especial influence over mucous surfaces. Upon the liver it acts with equal certainty and efficacy. As a cholagogue (liver invigorator), it has few equals. Its effects on the spleen and adrenals (liver generally), it is an efficient and reliable remedy. Also in scrofula, glandular diseases generally, cutaneous eruptions, indigestion, debility, diarrhea and dysentery, constipation, piles and all morbid and critical discharges."

Dr. Coe further says: "Hydrastis (Golden Seal) is also of inestimable value in the treatment of chronic derangements of the liver. It seems to exercise an especial influence over the liver (liver) structure generally, resolving (dissolving) bilary deposits, removing obstructions, promoting secretions, and giving tone to the various functions. It is eminently cholagogue (liver accelerator), and may be relied upon for the relief of hepatic (liver) torpor."

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REV. FATHER YORKE GIVES SHOCK IN PAPAL BLESSING

Pastor of St. Anthony's Church Delivers the Message of the Holy Father.

Rev. Father Yorke, pastor of St. Andrews' Church, East Oakland, after his sermon yesterday, gave the Papal blessing. During the course of his remarks he said:

"It is my privilege to give you today, my brethren, the blessings of our Holy Father, the Pope. He sends it to you of his own motion and with a full heart. It is a privilege that we can appreciate the more if we consider what blessing means and whose blessing it is we are about to receive."

"Blessing is a form of prayer by which the favor of God is invoked on the person blessed. God, Himself, is the supreme good and the source of all blessing. St. James tells us that every best gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of Lights with whom there is no change or shadow of alteration. In the very beginning of creation we find that God looked upon the things He had made and found them good and blessed them. When He created man in His own image and likeness He blessed man. When He saved Noah from the deluge He blessed him and his children. When He chose Abraham to be the father of the faithful He said I will bless thee and I will magnify thy name, and thou shalt be blessed and I will bless all that bless thee and by thee shall all the nations of the earth be blessed."

BENEDICTION.

"In the New Testament our Lord began His teachings by the Beatitudes or Blessings. Blessed the poor, blessed are the meek, blessed are the merciful. When the mothers brought their little children to Him, He rebuked the ones that would drive them away, and took the others in His arms. He blessed them. The last glimpse we have of Him as He ascends from Mount Olivet shows Him in the act of benediction. And it came to pass while He blessed them. He departed from them and was carried into heaven.

"Not only does God, Himself, bless us, but he has given power to others to impart blessing. You all know the custom of the Patriarchs, how Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau, and how Jacob blessed his children. In the old law God not only gave power to the sons of Aaron to bless the people but presented the very words of the blessing.

"This shall I bless the children of Israel. Let us bless the children of Israel. Let us bless the children of the Lord. Bless the Lord, keep thee and have mercy on thee. The Lord turn His countenance to thee and give thee peace. And they shall invoke my name on the children of Israel and I will bless them."

PEACE BE.

"In the New Law we learn our Lord commanded His disciples when they came to a house to bless it, saying: 'Permit me to this house and if the son of peace be there your peace shall rest upon it.' that is to say, that if there be in the house one worthy of blessing, God's blessing shall come upon him. In the epistles written by the Apostles we find every salutation and every closing sentence in the form of a blessing. At the ordination of a priest the Bishop pours oil, the symbol of benediction on the priest's hands and prays that whatever these hands bless may be blessed and whatever they lay may be haloed or consecrated.

"Hence, in seeking for and receiving blessings, we are following the practice of the Church of the two Testaments. And all the blessings we may receive from men that is none that stands so high as blessing sent by our holy Father, the Pope. In the first place He is the Vicar of Christ, our King. Our Lord our God is owner and master of all the creation, but as man He is in a peculiar sense king of this earth of ours. He has earned His kingship by His incarnation, His sufferings, His death. As a conqueror returns from the province which He has won, leaving a representative in His place, so Christ returned to heaven leaving the keys of the kingdom to St. Peter and his successors. It is before the help of Peter we kneel. It is from the viceregent of Christ we receive the blessing."

ONE GREAT END.

"Then again our Lord came on earth for one great end—not to be called Lord and Master or to enjoy earthly

After the sermon Father Yorke gave the Papal blessing in due form.

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NEWS AND NOTES
FROM THE PADDOCK

TRIBUNE'S SPORTS

GOSSIP OF ALL
EVENTS OF TODAY

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JAMES E. BRITT FAVORS CHANCES OF MR. O'BRIEN

James Edward Britt predicts that co. It was Bob's last fight. It took Philadelphia Jack O'Brien will defeat place on May 25, two years ago, and I tell you Flitz was not the Flitz of old. That fight went the limit, twenty rounds, and Flitz got the referee's decision.

Since then Bob has had only one engagement, and that was a six-round affair in Philadelphia. It hardly counts.

He is O'Brien he met and they had a rough-house battle, with Bob, judging by what I have heard, having the better of it.

"O'Brien right now, is in his prime.

He is only twenty-seven years old.

Fitz was a ring marvel in his day for a dozen years, and nothing like O'Brien

would have had a chance with the Cornishman.

"Hart has improved a whole lot in the last eighteen months. He is making a mistake in not fighting oftener, but he is good, and if the winner of the Flitz-O'Brien fight is matched against him I will pick Hart."

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NEWS OF THE DAY FROM THE SUBURBS

YOUNG DUCK HUNTER IS KILLED IN BOAT

Berkeley Youth Dies as Result of Accidental Discharge of Shot Gun on the Bay.

BERKELEY, Dec. 18.—Ernest Johnson, a fifteen-year-old boy of West Berkeley, was shot and almost instantly killed by the accidental discharge of his own gun. Young Johnson was on an excursion on the bay, in which duck hunting was expected to provide rare sport. His gun was discharged as the lad trailed it after him, while attempting to climb from a tiny sailboat to a rowboat which the youth had attached to the larger craft. The shot tore through his waist, inflicting a ghastly wound, so that almost his entire liver was exposed as he dropped to the bottom of the boat. Blood spurted from the gun hole and the youth appeared to be dead.

Charles Hansen, a companion of the wounded boy, retained his nerve under the trying circumstances, and as quickly as possible brought the craft in which the lads were afloat to shore. Ernest Johnson's parents at 333 Bristol street, in West Berkeley, were notified, and the ambulance of the Roosevelt Hospital was procured. The youth was pronounced dead by Dr. Benten shortly after 1 o'clock.

The boys were in the vicinity of Sheep Island when the accident occurred. They had planned an afternoon of sport, each same identical way."

IDEAS OF A "PROF."

Old Age Discussed in Learned Fashion.

DEALS IN REALTY

New Tract is Getting Its Share.

BERKELEY, Dec. 18.—In a recent publication of the Department of Zoology, Professor Harry Torrey describes some peculiarities of the plant-like animal corymorphs. One of the striking features of the higher plants is that the stems grow upward, the roots downward. As the result of experiments with the corymorphs, Professor Torrey finds that not only does it behave in a similar manner, but the mechanism by which the movements of the stem appear to be made is also similar in both cases. The direction taken by the stem is due to a change in the turgidity of the large vacuolated cells which constitute the major portion of the stem-tissue. The cells on the upper side of a stem that is inclined from the vertical become relatively smaller than those on the lower side, under the influence of the force of gravity. These are neither muscles nor nerves; in plants there are both muscles and nerves in corymorphs, but these do not appear to be affected by gravity. The position which the stem of corymorphs assumes is rather due to an unconscious mechanical reaction to an external stimulus of certain tissue-cells, which are not identical with the muscles responsible for other movements of the body.

Professor Torrey has also just published a paper on differentiation in hydroid colonies and the problem of senescence. He states as the conclusion reached by his investigation that old age is a phenomenon of differentiation, depending upon similar causes. The hydroids are plant-like animals, many growing like flowers attached to a common stem. Those at the top of the stem differ somewhat from those at the base. This difference is ascribed to a change in the chemical constitution of the colony which takes as development proceeds, or, in other words, as the colony ages. Professor Torrey's experiments do not sustain the theory that the structure of the adult organism is essentially predetermined in the structure of the germ.

SOCIAL DOINGS.

The Higginson orchestra—John Nor, Fred Dolher, Henry Jacobson, Arthur Powers, and Frank Waithman—gave a ball at Dania Hall Saturday evening.

The Hayward football team played at Livermore Sunday.

B. F. Gidings has been elected commander, G. E. Alexander adjutant, and A. Bradford vice-president and treasurer of the Hayward Veteran League.

The M. E. Church people will hold their Christmas tree exercises Friday evening, December 22.

Hayward Circle, Companions of the Forest, is preparing a farce to be given early next year. Joseph Woods, T. W. Thorndike, G. A. Oakes, Mrs. Carl Sorenson and Mrs. M. Mitchell have the matter in charge.

J. N. Boyd of Oakland preached in the Presbyterian Church Sunday.

The members of the new drill team of the Woodmen of Hayward are: E. A. T. M. F. Sims, D. S. Williams, H. W. Holmes, J. Beaumont and M. August.

The Ladies Aid Society of San Lorenzo meted its recent bazaar.

Scandal Expected in School Board.

ELMHURST MINISTER New Pastor is to be Instal- led.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

Letters for the following persons remain unclaimed for at the Elmhurst post-office: Luther W. Martin, James Barrett, P. P. Cowen (2), Mr. Hoffner, M. J. Walker, Mrs. J. Michael, Mrs. R. Rose, M. S. Victor, The Swede's Pastor.

PROMPTIC.

King Charles was bidding the executioner good-by.

"I hope," he said feelingly, "that you may live long enough to do unto others as you are about to do unto me."

"May I ask to whom you refer?" replied the headsman.

"There is a long list," said the King; "but I was referring more particularly to the Three Eminent M's."

Shortly afterward they carried his

AUTO HOUSE.

Sam Batt of "Sam's Inn" is making preparations to build an auto house on the vacant part of the lot next to his place of business, with direct communication to the latter.

PERSONAL.

Robert J. Hansen, superintendent of the Hayward division for the O. T. C. head away in a basket.

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Labor a Serious Problem

CONTRACTORS ON GOVERNMENT
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ENOUGH MEN.

WASHINGTON. Dec. 18.—A bulletin issued by the Geological Survey says the approval of the Secretary of the Interior of the Rio Grande reclamation project in Texas and New Mexico and of the Carlsbad project in New Mexico will bring the number of reclamation projects up to twenty-four.

Of these eleven are under way. They provide for the reclamation of 1,303,600 acres of arid lands at a cost of \$37,023,571.

On June 30, 1905, the total cost of construction and engineering work performed by the reclamation service, together with the administration expenses, amounted to \$5,463,150. On that date the reclamation fund had reached a total of \$38,028,571.

It was estimated at that time that the receipts for the fiscal years 1905-1906 would amount to \$9,000,000, and that the sum of money available for reclamation purposes at the end of 1906 would be \$37,028,571.

Since the work of reclamation began seventy-seven miles of main canals have been constructed and forty-four miles of distributing canals, as well as 136 miles of ditches and 147 bridges. Over 3,550,000 cubic yards of earth have been excavated and three and one-half miles of tunnels driven.

Labor, the bulletin says, is one of the most serious problems, the engineers have to face. Several contractors engaged on government projects have already failed because of their inability to secure the services of a sufficient number of workmen, and others are on the verge of failure for the same reason. It is extremely difficult to find competent subcontractors and foremen.

The report contends that the eight-hour limitation on work is a factor in many preferred to work longer hours.

WOMAN WILL GIVE HER VERSION

The motion for a nonsuit in the case of A. Dodge Coplin against Mrs. Kate F. Keys of Berkeley for \$265 was denied this morning by Judge W. H. Waste and this afternoon the defense began putting on its side of the case. Coplin is suing for money which he alleges is due him for the drawing up of plans and specification for the erection of an apartment house in Berkeley to cost \$30,420. He is represented by Attorney Phil Walsh.

In denying his claim, Mrs. Keys states that the plans drawn by Coplin in the first place exceed by \$10,000 the amount the building was to have cost and in the second place she alleges that his fee was contingent upon his securing the loan from the bank necessary to erect the building. This, she says, he was unable to do and the plan for the erection of the building fell through. So much of her defense is set forth in her answer and she will take the stand herself and give her version of the transactions between them.

RACE ENTRIES.

TOMORROW'S SELECTIONS.

First race—Lerida, Bard Burns, El Pilot. Second race—Nealon, Bolman, Legal Form. Third race—Briers Buchanan, Long Wolf.

Fourth race—Macedo, My Order, Procrastinate. Fifth race—Saibao, Teelaw, Nigrette. Sixth race—St. George Jr., Bombarier, Beknighter.

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs; 3-year-olds and upward; selling.

Index Horse 104
9516 Max Holliday 105
9517 Bellmont 105
9518 Optime 105
9519 Bard Burns 105
9520 Lerida 105
9521 El Photo 105
9522 Jerry Hunt 105
9523 Standard 105
9524 Galice 105

SECOND RACE—Six furlongs; 2-year-olds and up; purse \$100.

Index Horse 105
9516 Warwheel 105
9517 Bolman 105
9518 Queen Bee 105
9519 King 105
9520 Legal Form 105
9521 Nealon 105
9522 St. George Jr. 105
9523 St. George 105
9524 Louis Schumacher 105
9525 Ruston 105

THIRD RACE—One and one-sixth miles; 3-year-olds and upward; selling.

Index Horse 105
9516 Gerolote 105
9517 Warwheel 105
9518 Bolman 105
9519 Queen Bee 105
9520 King 105
9521 Legal Form 105
9522 Nealon 105
9523 St. George Jr. 105
9524 Louis Schumacher 105
9525 Ruston 105

FOURTH RACE—Five furlongs; 3-year-olds and upward; selling.

Index Horse 105
9516 Procrastinate 105
9517 Saibao 105
9518 Teelaw 105
9519 Nigrette 105
9520 Paster 105
9521 Bird of Passage 105
9522 Miss Farrel 105
9523 Escambo 105

FIFTH RACE—Six furlongs; all ages; Hastings' handicap; value \$600.

Index Horse 105
9516 Warwheel 105
9517 Saibao 105
9518 Nigrette 105
9519 Teelaw 105
9520 Bird of Passage 105
9521 Miss Farrel 105
9522 Escambo 105

SIXTH RACE—One and one-sixth miles; 2-year-olds and upward; purse \$100.

Index Horse 105
9516 Veteran 105
9517 Harry Waite 105
9518 Beknighter 105
9519 Ink 105
9520 St. George Jr. 105

FRACTURES HIS LEG.

At 9 o'clock last night as M. White, a longshoreman residing at 25, Third street, was walking along the Embarcadero, he slipped in a small pool of water and fractured his right leg at the ankle. He was taken to the Receiving Hospital and attended to by Dr. Hamlin and Warden Page.

CASE CONTINUED.

The case of J. J. Coffey, accused of battery by L. D. Smith, was continued until tomorrow by Police Judge Samuels this morning as the complaining witness failed to file a complaint.

OFFICIAL RECORDS.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1905.
DEEDS.

Wellington Gregg Jr. et al. to B. Simon W. Chetwai street, lot 10 S Seventh. Simon W. Chetwai street, conveyed to Charles Walt December 5, 1905, N.W. 127, N. 47 b, E. 127 to beginning, block 487, Boardman's map, Oakland; \$10.

C. M. and Eva McLean to Oscar Howe, S. Clinton street and Lincoln avenue, N.W. 126, S.E. 100-8 to a point 100 from NW East Oak street and S. 80 from and at right angles with said boundary line Lincoln avenue, N.W. 126, N.W. 67, S.E. 100, beginning, portion lots 1 and 2, block 2, tract East Oakland; \$10. Deed recorded December 16, 1905.

Same to same, beginning at point 102-6 from W corner East Oak street and Lincoln avenue, N.W. 126, S.E. 100, portion lots 1 and 2, block 2, tract East Oakland; warranty deed; \$10.

Sidney M. and Mary E. Gordier to M. K. Jacobus (female sole), S.W. Lincoln avenue, 142-1 from a point 100, portion lots 1 and 2, block 2, Clinton Mount tract, Brooklyn, East Oakland; \$10.

Oscar Howe (single) to same, S. corner Watson and Lincoln, bounded by S.W. 126, N.W. 127, S.E. 100-8, N.W. 126, N.W. 127, S.E. 100-8 to a point 100 from NW East Oak street and S. 80 from and at right angles with said boundary line Lincoln avenue, N.W. 126, N.W. 67, S.E. 100, portion lots 1 and 2, block 2, tract East Oakland; warranty deed; \$10.

Dudley and Ethel M. Kinsell to Antonio Balmas (widow), lot 18, block 2, result of Kinsell's tract, Elmhurst, Brooklyn, town plot, \$10.

Henry Bangs Land Company to D. Winter, E. Benvenue avenue, 170-2 N. Ashby avenue, N.W. 46 by E. 148-5, lot 14, block 2, Berry-Bangs tract, map No. 2.

D. Winter Nelle M. Winter (by Perry T. Tompkins, their attorney) to M. T. Henvey, same, Berkeley; \$10.

Arthur L. and Elizabeth A. Welsh to Roy Young, S. Clinton street and Ashby avenues, N.W. 126 S.E. 149, E. 150 to beginning, lots 7, 8 and 9, block 2, Berry-Bangs tract, map No. 2, Berkeley; \$10.

Berry-Bangs Land Company (corporation) to D. Winter, E. Benvenue avenue, 170-2 N. Ashby avenue, N.W. 46 by E. 148-5, lot 10, block 2, same, Berkeley; \$10.

D. Winter Nelle M. Winter (by Perry T. Tompkins, their attorney) to J. B. Cook, same, Berkeley; \$10.

Philip and H. H. A. Adrian to Edward Phillips, W. Grove (Sherman) street, 132 1/2 Channing way, S. 40, W. 147 to W. Ilma lot 3, N. 40 to a point, etc. E. 148-50 to beginning, portion lots 8 and 4, block 24, Berry-Bangs tract, except strip 10 feet wide dredged to widen Grove street, Berkely; \$10.

Michael Hayes to Edan Hayes (wife), lots 11, 12 and 13, block 2, northern addition, Oakland; \$10.

Ellen Collins (widow) to Ella F. Collier, same, Oakland; \$10.

Ella F. Collier (widow) to Kate Beauvais (single), W. Lenox avenue, 60 feet wide, S. 148-75, N. Grand avenue, said beginning, point 100, portion lots 1 and 2, block 2, tract East Oakland, June 29, 1905, E. 148, N.W. 126 by SW 50, portion plot 21, V. and D. Peralta ranch, Oakland; \$10.

James Waymire to James Waymire (wife), lots 12, 13 and 14, block 2, northern addition, Oakland; \$10.

John W. Phillips to W. W. Garthwaite, corner of Alameda and Broadway, Oakland; \$10.

Central California Land Company and Charles E. Wilson (widower) to West Shore Land Company, same, Alameda, \$10,000.

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Strong, sharp, Eastern, June Cheese			Excelsior Blend.....	.5 lb. can 1.95
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Candy—French Mixed.....	.40		Prunelles—Hungarian.....	.16
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Port—Sherry—Madeira.....	.75	Beer—German Spaten Brau....pils.	2.10
regly \$1 bot—\$4 gal.		regly \$2.50—\$4.50 dozen ...qts.	3.90
Claret—Royal.....dez. qts.	5.00	Benedictine—regly 65c—\$1 pint	1.15
regly \$6—\$3.50.....doz. pts.	2.75	Creme de Menthe.....quart	.60
Sweet Cider—pure apple juice, gal.	.50	Marie Brizard and Roger's—pint	.60
Whiskey—Scotch D. C. L., quart	1.45	White or green, regly \$1.40—75c	
Scottish Bard, regly \$1.75 large jug		Cider—Paulding's Eastern.....quart	.40
Highball Nectar, regly \$1.50.....	1.15	regly \$2.50—\$3.50 dozen ...qts.	2.50
Killycree 3 x Irish, regly \$1.25.....	1.00	Water—Poland, carbonated, qt. bot.	.25
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MAY RECOVER FROM INJURIES

Charles Leonard, the Modoc county student who has been residing at 319 Ninth street in this city and attending the Polytechnic College here, has been removed to Providence Hospital, and has a good chance to recover from the injuries he received in jumping from a street car on the Twelfth avenue dam last Saturday afternoon.

When the injured man was taken to the Receiving Hospital after being hurt, Dr. O. D. Hamlin made a cursory examination of his injuries and found them located chiefly in the small of the back, but was unable to tell just then their exact extent. He afterward had him removed to Providence, and placed him under anesthetics, when a thorough examination was made, which disclosed the fact that the patient's back was broken just above the hips, but the injury is not so serious that the man will not get well, though his recovery will be a matter of at least three months' time.

According to the witnesses of the accident, Leonard was standing on the outside of the car as it passed over the Twelfth street dam and a sudden gust of wind snatched his hat from his head.

IS POSTPONED.

Piedmont Parlor No. 37, N. D. G. W., has postponed their whist tournament until Thursday evening, January 11, 1906. It will be held in Ben Hur Temple, 1880 Broadway.

REV. BAKER WOULD STOP GAMBLING

Declares That Cheap Theaters Injure the Youth—Suggestions Made by the Pastor.

Rev. E. E. Baker, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, last night preached the following sermon on "Causes of Crime in Oakland":

"Oakland has an enviable reputation as a city of churches and homes and schools. She is exploited in the advertising matter of promotion committees as 'The Athens of the Pacific.' The beauty of her situation, the atmosphere of culture, the sterling character of her citizens are each and all cited among her chief attractions. Newcomers seeking permanent location are earnestly invited to consider these inducements before going elsewhere.

CIVIC IDEALS.

"Are we living up to our reputation as a city of culture and consecration to civic ideals? Or are we living on a reputation gained years ago? In other words, are we 'making good' the claims we make for ourselves as possessing superior virtues over against other California communities?

"I have lived here now for nearly five years, and I am sorry to say Oakland is not what it was in 1901. It is bigger but it is not better. So much must be admitted by all fair-minded observers. Oakland is not a city of angels and is less so today than a few years ago—these words were written and printed in a local paper by one who has lived here for many years. He explains our moral decline by claiming it to be impossible for a city to expand "without adding unto herself a certain proportion of undesirable elements."

GREAT FUTURE.

"The cheap theater should be regulated if not abolished. I agree with the editor of a San Francisco daily when he says: 'The cheap theaters are training criminals.' This sort of theater has great vogue in Oakland. Thousands attend the performances daily, including Sunday. Crimes are exhibited on the stage in the way of play or picture which give the young an impetus in that direction. One is held in hand a letter written by a man who says he overheard two boys commenting on pictures seen here in Oakland cheap theaters. One said if there was a boy in the book-club he would kill the first two of the officers who would have got away.' The other said, 'I wish they had killed all the officers.' Thus early in life these young men were brought to give aid and sympathy to train robbers. The editor I referred to above also said: 'Every such representation is a public peril. It is a center from which crime radiates in all directions.' Surely the boys and girls of our city are worth more than the nickles and dimes they contribute to the maintenance of these pitfalls! Parents should restrain their children from attending all such places of amusement and some regulation of the things to be presented should be attempted by the city authorities."

RACING EVIL.

"The gambling evil needs correction in Oakland. Eastern papers chronicle daily during the season the races run at Emeryville under the date line of Oakland. We are on the map for gamblers. Our own young men are made familiar with this curse of our times. The slot machines on our street corners make the beginning easy. The pools that are sold on the races put temptation in the way of boys and men. It looks easy to get

something for nothing. Industry declines, idleness increases, extravagant habits are formed, leases are made, embezzlements and other forms of theft are reported and the like rule. The City Council should at least require all gambling to be done out of sight of children and youth. The slot machines should go. The citizens should unite in a protest to the Legislature against the race track. Gambling should be made an issue in politics and men pledged to support anti-gambling legislation should be elected irrespective of party affiliation.

LIMIT SALOONS.

"The saloons should be limited in number in Oakland. When a city disposes of its own branch of the Public Library to make way for a saloon it is high time to call a halt. When the number of saloons in a city the size of Oakland increases from 222 to 284 in less than five years it is time to cry, 'Hold! Enough!' When the protest of 25 property owners is ignored entirely and a license granted on a much smaller petition it is time to tell the people what is being done. Citizens can never be attracted to a city or town by the multiplication of saloons. Southern California will continue to attract desirable families for very reason of her comparative freedom from over drinking places. The City Council should at once say there shall be no more than 250 saloons in Oakland and devise a plan of elimination—local option preferred. Let each ward in the city say if there shall be saloons within its boundaries.

CHEAP THEATER.

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GENERAL WHEELER MAKES A SPEECH

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—General Joseph Wheeler was the guest of the Pleiades Club last evening in a brief speech said, among other things:

"It has been said that the recent war cemented the North and South. This, it seems to me, is not so. It only served to emphasize the feeling which had existed between the North and the South for thirty years."

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